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TO-DAY'S DOLLAR. — The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1s. 0⅛d.

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WEATHERING THE CRISIS

PURCHASE OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROHIBITED

BRITONS STOLIDLY CALM

GOVERNMENT KEEPING AN EYE ON PROFITEERS.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The London Stock Exchange will be opened for business tomorrow morning as usual. This early resumption of business affords another indication of the calmness with which yesterday morning's announcement of the decision to suspend the Gold Standard has been received. Throughout the country to-day banking and other business proceeded on normal lines, and there was a complete absence of excitement. Government and business houses are readjusting their ideas in view of the changed situation and Ministers are concentrating on steps that may be necessary to counteract adverse effects. The essential soundness of the internal situation is fully recognised, and it is realised that the country's resources are enormous, and no real internal difficulties are feared.

It is, indeed, becoming increasingly clear that it was the troubles of other countries that made it impossible for Britain to remain on a Gold Standard. Foreign banks, nervous about their position, had been removing money deposited in London and converting it from sterling into their own currency.

In this way £43,000,000 was withdrawn in three and a half days at the end of last week and as the pace was accelerating suspension of the Gold Standard Act became imperative. Throughout the days of the crisis ready sympathy and assistance was forthcoming from France and America where three-quarters of the available gold supply of the world is held. The Bank of France did not withdraw any of their money deposited in London. It remained here intact. One immediate and inevitable effect of the change was the depreciation of the pound sterling.

No less inevitable is some dislocation of the foreign trade and finance difficulties all of which will be adjusted by the countries concerned.

International Conference.

In well-informed circles the view is held that one result of the present crisis may be a change of opinion among some of the Powers which hitherto have shown no sympathy with the proposal which for the past twelve months has been favoured in England for securing by means of joint action, following an international conference, a remedy for the situation caused by the present unequal distribution of the world's supply of gold. The Bank of England has, in this connection, been making every effort to promote co-operation with a view to finding a remedy and those efforts will be continued, while Government will continue to emphasise the urgency of such a step.

An Eye on Profiteers.

While it is anticipated there will be some rise in the prices of commodities, it is believed rises will not be large and Government will, so far as possible, keep a watchful eye to prevent profiteering.

Treasury Order.

The Treasury, under the powers conferred by Clause Three of the Gold Standard Amendment Act, which was passed through both Houses of Parliament, and received Royal Assent yesterday, to-day issued an Order prohibiting the purchase of foreign exchange except for normal trading requirements, contracts existing before September 21, and an amount reasonable for travelling or other personal purposes. British and Foreign banks in London are co-operating in putting the Order into operation. There were no official foreign exchange quotations to-day.

Premier Ordered Rest.

The Prime Minister is feeling the effects of fatigue and overstrain and, acting on medical advice, he is leaving London to-night for a few days' rest in the country.—British Wireless Service.

Holland's Embargo on Gold.

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

Government has placed an embargo on the export of gold.

U.S. Government's Opinion.

Washington, Yesterday.

The United States' Government, it is stated, regards Britain's suspension of the gold standard as likely to improve economic conditions in Britain and elsewhere. The move is regarded as more as an adoption of a variable standard than a complete abandonment of the gold standard, and one effect will be stronger competition between certain British and American exports.

Wall Street Gloom Dispelled.

New York, Yesterday.

Wall Street's gloom occasioned by panic selling was dissipated to-day, and cheers greeted the announcement of the re-opening of the London Stock Exchange.

The initial flurry, in which stocks were irregular and with lower tendency soon changed and the composure of the market at closing was distinctly easy.

Sterling, which started slightly lower, later joined the upward movement and closed 4.20.

The Canadian dollar was weak around about 92. — Reuter's American Service.

Protecting Belgian Securities.

Brussels, Yesterday.

Drastic measures to check a slump in Belgian securities include the formation of a consortium of the leading bankers backed by 1,000,000,000 francs to support the market if necessary.—Reuter.

According to Mr. Hui Chung-ming, a sub-accountant, the missing manager was entrusted with this large sum of money last Sunday. He was to have taken it from the Kowloon branch, at 353, Nathan Road, to the head office at Hong Kong.

MISSING BANK MANAGER.

The manager of the Kowloon Branch of the National and Commercial Bank, 144, Des Voeux Road Central, is reported to the Police as having disappeared. At the same time, it is alleged that $15,000 are missing.

JAPAN AND CHINA

THE PROBLEM OF MANCHURIA.

URGENT APPEAL

DON'T AGGRAVATE SITUATION.

Geneva, Yesterday.

Surprise was expressed in League circles to-day at delay, on the part of the Japanese, in not more fully informing the League of the events in Manchuria.

Signor Lerroux, (President of the Council). Lord Cecil, Dr. Curtius, and Signor Grandi are, at present, engaged in a private meeting with Chinese and Japanese representatives. The purpose of the meeting is to draw up the terms of an appeal to be forwarded to China and Japan. A request will also be addressed to both sides to abstain from all acts likely to aggravate the situation.

Japanese Viewpoint.

The Japanese representative fully endorsed Lord Cecil's noble sentiments and said that his Government was most anxious to respect the Briand-Kellogg Pact. He referred to the big Japanese population and the enormous Japanese interests in Manchuria. The Japanese Government he said, was most desirous to settle a hundred outstanding Sino-Japanese questions of a disturbing character.

Chinese Viewpoint.

The Chinese representative dwelt on the fact that Chinese soldiers and the populace, acting under the instructions of the Government, had very carefully refrained from conduct likely to aggravate the situation. But the situation in Manchuria was growing worse, and he asked the Council to order a withdrawal of Japanese troops to their original position, and that the Japanese request for an adjournment should no longer be delayed.

Continuing, the Chinese representative emphasised that the question before the Council was the invasion of Chinese territory.

It was an urgent question for settlement. He proposed the appointment of a committee of enquiry and concluded by declaring that Japanese occcupation was extending, and that Japanese troops must be withdrawn immediately.

League's Resolutions.

The President of the Council moved a resolution to address an urgent appeal to the Governments of China and Japan to abstain from any act of a nature susceptible to aggravate the situation or prejudice a pacific settlement of the problem. He also moved another resolution to seek, consultatively with the representatives of China and Japan, adequate means in order to enable both countries immediately to withdraw their respective troops without endangering the security and lives of their nationals or protecton of their properties.

Unanimous Support.

The whole Council associated itself with the sentiments expressed in the resolutions.

Lord Cecil's Appeal.

Lord Cecil accepted the resolution but appealed to the Japanese representative to hasten the receipt of instructions. If the Chinese representative's statement, that hundreds of men, women and children had been killed in Manchuria was true, it indicated that grave events were occurring there, and the matter, therefore, was urgent, and instructions from the Japanese

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SIK YUE CLUB CASE.

Premises Used As A Gaming House.

MAGISTRATE'S FINDING.

Mr. Williams, Magistrate, gave judgment this morning in this case which has caused some public interest in the Colony recently.

After reviewing the facts of the case, his Worship said that he had not the slightest hesitation in coming to the conclusion that the prosecution's story was substantially correct, and that of the defence nothing but a tissue of lies. He held the Police account to be true, and held that defendants had taken part in a game of chance, namely *tah kai*, and also that commission was taken.

The Sik Yue Club, his Worship, ruled, was not a private house. He attached great importance to the fact that they did not produce the membership books when asked by the Police. Concluding he said that there was enough evidence to show that the premises were used as a gaming house.

Mr. Hall Brutton—I give notice of appeal, and ask your Worship to state a case on law and facts.

His Worship announced fines, as follows:—

First defendant, who had a previous conviction for gambling, $100.

Second defendant $75.

The rest, convicted of participating in the game, $5 each.

He also ordered confiscation of $234.05 picked up on the tables, and also the dice, counters, etc.

The case concerns 13 well-to-do Chinese members of the Club who were held by the Police as the result of a raid on the Club's premises—506-510, Queen's Road, West—early in August.

STOP PRESS

As we go to press a Reuter's cable of importance is to hand. It says that a decision on the question of an early General Election is likely to be reached in the next few days. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, during his holiday, is to cogitate his destiny. In Conservative circles it is believed he will decide to appeal to the country at the end of October on the tariff issue. Almost 50 per cent. of the Liberal Members of the House of Commons have offered to support Mr. MacDonald, and there is evidence of growing unrest in the Labour Party at Mr. Henderson's flirtations with the National Government.

COMMANDER OF THE POSEIDON.

Appointment to the Titania.

The Admiralty announces the appointment of Lt.-Comdr. B. W. Galpin to Titania, depot ship of the Sixth Submarine Flotilla.

Lt.-Comdr. Galpin was Commanding Officer of H.M. submarine *Poseidon* when on June 9 of this year she was rammed by a Chinese steamer off Wei-Hai-Wei and sunk with heavy loss of life. By a Court-martial held on July 1 he was sentenced to be severely reprimanded and dismissed his ship.

His promotion to his present rank dates from September, 1926. Before joining the Poseidon he was serving in the Alecto, depot ship of the 5th Submarine Flotilla, his appointment being both for service in submarines and instructional duties.

POUND AND RUPEE

GANDHI EXPRESSES SURPRISE.

INDIANS IGNORED

CONGRESS CANNOT SUPPORT MEASURES

London, Yesterday.

Because Indians were not consulted regarding the decision to base the rupee on sterling, Mahatma Gandhi in London announced that the Indian National Congress would not be able to support the measures as requested by Sir Samuel Hoare.

Mahatma Gandhi sympathised with the British Nation in the present crisis, but was pained because the British Government's decision implied that Indians were not yet fit to be consulted on matters of the most vital importance.—Reuter.

Government of India's Independent Attitude.

Rugby, Yesterday.

During a discussion of the Federal Structure Committee of the Round Table Conference to-day, Mr. Gandhi, referred to the decision regarding the Gold Standard and stabilisation of the rupee announced yesterday by Sir Samuel Hoare and said, that while every thoughtful Congressman must sympathise with the British Nation in this crisis he must express his surprise and sorrow that the decision was taken over the heads of the Indian Legislature. It was in his view, a proof of the independent attitude of the Government of India.

Only Thing to Do.

Sir Madadabhoy said, in the circumstances, he thought the Indian Government had done the only thing they could do.

The Committee has concluded discussion of relations between the two Chambers and passed on to a consideration of the strength and composition of the Federal Legislature, including propositions in each Chamber to be assigned to the States and British-India respectively.

It is announced that the Maharaja of Kapurthala has accepted an invitation to join the Round-Table Conference.—British Wireless Service.

FINE GENERALLY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued to-day at 10.31 a.m. says:—

The typhoon is near the Pescadores, moving N.N.W. and threatening the coast between Amoy and Foochow.

The anticyclone has strengthened and is central to the S.E. of Hokkaido.

Local forecast:—N.W. winds, moderate; fine generally.

Typhoon Warning.

Manila, September 23, 10 a.m.—Cyclone or typhoon near or over the Formosa Channel, moving N.N.W.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, nil. Total since January 1—71.44 inches against an average of 73.67 inches — deficit 2.23 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	82
Macao	77
Pratas Island	83
Manila	79
Foochow	78
Amoy	86
Chefoo	60
Shanghai	72

KOWLOON'S NEW RESERVOIR

HELPING TO SOLVE THE LOCAL WATER PROBLEM

BIG JOB COMPLETED

INSPECTION BY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

Hong Kong's water problem, so acute only two or three years ago, is rapidly being solved, with the completion of various works in connection with the Shing Mun scheme; and it will disappear entirely when other actual and projected conservation work is completed.

Pressmen yesterday were privileged to be present at an informal inspection of the new Kowloon Byewash Dam, which is situated in beautiful surroundings in a valley about five miles up the Taipo Road. The reservoir has a capacity of 185 million gallons, and a road runs across it to the Filter Station at Shek Lai Pui, passing en route the underground service reservoir, which has a capacity of 11¼ million gallons, and covers an area of over two acres. This underground reservoir is turfed over, and is used for storage of filtered water. It is connected up with the cross-harbour pipeline.

Distinguished Party.

The General Officer Commanding, H.E. Major-General J. W. Sandilands, and the Colonial Secretary, Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, headed the party of Council Members and Government Officials who made the tour of inspection yesterday, others being the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the Hon. Dr. S. W. T'so, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chou, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (Attorney-General), the Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy (D.P.W.), Mr. E. W. Carpenter (assistant D.P.W.), Mr. R. M. Henderson (assistant D.P.W.), and Mr. C. W. E. Bishop, (engineer, Waterworks). They were received by Captain B. M. Ede, (chairman of the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Company, who built the dam), Mr. Gray, of the Excavation Company, and Mr. H. H. Rose, Government Supervisor on the site.

The new reservoir forms part of the Shing Mun scheme, some of the water from the river, of that name finding its way into the dam by way of an overflow from the Shek Pai Pui Dam nearby. At the present moment it is overflowing, and presented a beautiful spectacle in the brilliant sunshine yesterday afternoon.

Some Figures.

The wall of the dam is 50 feet long at the bottom, increasing to 365 feet at the top. It has a width, or thickness, of 84 feet at its base, tapering to twelve feet at the top.

As is usual in this type of job, various incidental difficulties cropped up from time to time, but in spite of that the work, commenced in July, 1929, was completed in May this year.

Situated 270 feet above sea level, the height of the wall from washout to overflow is 111 feet, and to the top of the arches providing for the overflow 118 feet. There are sixteen arches, each of twelve-foot span.

Materials used in construction included 29,000 cubic yards of concrete, 7,500 rock face blocks, and 7,000 fine face blocks. The blocks were all made on the site by the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile-Driving and Construction Company, Limited.

Pioneer Equipment.

The Company, which was responsible for the whole of the work on the Kowloon Byewash Dam, may justly be termed pioneers in the use of most modern equipment for transportation of materials and supplies, and for the pouring and depositing of concrete.

In the first place, sand was transported in the company's junks from the beaches at Hami Wan, then transhipped by truck up the Taipo Road to the Unloading Station. From that point an aerial cableway was used to take it across the valley to the Block-yard and Concreting Tower.

The stone used was quarried on the site, and crushed in gyratory crushers, specially designed for high capacity of output.

A "Robot Tower."

The 120-foot high concreting tower, fabricated of steel, had a large concrete mixing plant at its base. From this plant the batches of concrete were hoisted to the mouth of a chute at the top of the tower. The chute, a modern introduction into the reinforced concrete field, was an ingenious and flexible arrangement of cables, pulleys, and weights, by which the concrete could be placed at any part of the dam workings with ease and dispatch. It weighed twelve tons, plus the weight of four men permanently stationed upon it, and its radius included the full length, depth, and breadth of the dam.

Special Road Made.

To reach the dam proper a concrete access road was cut from the Taipo Road, through the granite of the hillside. The road winds up to and over the dam, being ten feet wide at this point, after which it continues for about another mile, ending at the Filter Station and Underground Service Reservoir at Shek Lai Pui.

Additional work, apart from the Dam itself, was the making of an overflow channel twelve feet wide and 800 feet long, which was constructed to lead off the overflow waters from the old Shek Lai Pui Reservoir into the Reservoir at the Byewash. This overflow channel is 100 feet higher at its intake than at its outlet end. It makes a beautiful and most valuable addition to the system of water conservation and supply in Kowloon.

Efficient Department.

An inspection of the scheme convinces one of the efficiency and spirit of progress in which the water supply problem is being tackled by the Department of Public Works. It is highly reassuring to find that the safety and convenience of the general public has been so carefully studied, and is being so thoroughly catered for.

BANKS

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Reserve Funds:—
Sterling ..... £ 5,500,000
Silver $10,000,000
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Hong Kong, 26th February, 1931.

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SHOU J. CHEN,
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H. MORI,
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Hong Kong, 11th September, 1931.

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J. STUART,
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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

Saturday Opening from September 19.

For the first time since April, 1917, the Stock Exchange is to open on Saturdays, commencing from September 19.

The announcement was made in the following official notice posted in the Committee Rooms of the Stock Exchange on August 20:—

In view of the situation in the country and the desirability of affording facilities for dealing, the Committee for General Purposes have resolved to open the House on Saturdays on and after September 19.

Regulations as to the delivery of stock will be posted at a later date.

The action taken by the London Stock Exchange has already been followed by the Birmingham Stock Exchange, and other provincial centres are expected to fall into line with the new arrangement.

At the committee meeting the Liverpool Stock Exchange it is expected that a six-day week proposal will be adopted.

It is understood that the matter will come before the Manchester Stock Exchange committee at an early date, and the Glasgow and Dublin Exchanges are also expected to follow London's lead.

Later Closing of Banks?

With the opening of the Stock Exchange on Saturdays, the leading joint stock banks may have to decide to extend their hours of business.

Although Stock Exchange business only immediately affects those banks that are actively concerned in clearing, it would be impossible to confine the additional opening period to those particular branches, and the whole of the banks in London would have to fall into line as regards the time of closing on Saturday.

Up to 1902 the London banks remained open for business on Saturdays still 2 p.m. It was then altered to one o'clock. During the war, in consequence of the closing down of the Stock Exchange on Saturday, the time was altered to 12 o'clock and has remained so ever since.

Stockbrokers' Views.

The Daily Telegraph's City Editor writes:

While there is some division of opinion as to the supposed advantages of opening the House on Saturdays members generally welcome the opportunity of a gesture which shows that they are as much prepared as any class of the community to serve the public interest.

The pros and cons of Saturday opening on the Stock Exchange have been re-argued again and again, but even those who most strongly objected to a curtailment of their week-end holiday were eventually inclined to bow to the inevitable.

The decision, it should be emphasised, was arrived at without official pressure of any sort, either from the Government or from the banks or other financial institutions The Stock Exchange is very jealous of its rights, and quite properly claims to be master in its own house.

So far, the actual hours during which the Stock Exchange will be open for business on Saturdays have not been fixed. Within the next few days all the necessary steps should have been taken to ensure that when Saturday dealings are resumed the City's financial machinery will work smoothly and normally.

Another Comment.

Members of the Stock Exchange were taken completely by surprise by the committee's announcement that the House would be opened for business on Saturday on and after September 19. They had become so accustomed to a five-day week that most of them had thought that such a move on the part of the committee was in the highest degree improbable, especially in these days of abnormal inactivity.

While some members expressed indignation at the committee's decision, the majority seemed to be in favour, holding the view that even if it brought them little extra business immediately, the opening of the House on Saturdays ought to lead to an increase in public interest in markets. It is pointed out, on the other hand, that in pre-war days business was always on a very small scale on Saturdays, except in boom times, and that the fact that Wall Street does not open until two or three hours after the closing of the London market precludes the possibility of international dealings in Anglo-American favourites on that day.

When the new arrangements have been in operation for a few weeks, both members of the Stock Exchange and the investing public will be better able to judge whether any real advantages are to be gained from the reinstitution of a six-day, or rather, five and a half-day, business week. If the scheme is not a success it will be open to the committee to reverse their decision.

EUROPE'S ECONOMIC ILLNESS.

Political Security the Great Need.

"The problem is fundamentally political; it is worse than useless to shut our eyes to this obtrusive fact," says the August Lloyds Bank monthy review, dealing with the German crisis. Stress is laid upon the need of political security in Europe as the real basis of financial stability.

"The London Conference, however valuable its conclusions may have been as a palliative, did not or was not able to direct a penetrating gaze into the centre of the trouble," continues the review. "To preach vicarious effort and to expect financial institutions to continue short-term credits to Germany while averting an immediate collapse has not set the financial and industrial activity of Germany going again, and Germany is still living from hand to mouth. The problem is fundamentally political; it is worse than useless to shut our eyes to this obtrusive fact. The economic malaise of Europe has its roots in bewilderment and anxiety, in haunting suspicion and nervous scrutiny of the future. It may be ascribed to the lamentable failure to produce what Mr. Gladstone, in a memorandum prepared in 1869 for her Majesty Queen Victoria, described as 'marked development or maturing of a common or public or European opinion as the best standing bulwark against wrong.'"

"Some of the grievances of the Central Powers are probably unsubstantial, but we cannot reach a settlement of good sense unless the political and economic facts are examined with amplitude of grasp and placid severity. Great Britain and France and the United States cannot afford to contemplate financial and political chaos in Germany, but no remedy will deal with causes as distinct from symptoms if it does not take account of the European need of political security, which is fundamental. What is really required is diplomacy in the highest sense of the word; the perspicuous conduct of those great negotiations, political and economic, on which the welfare of nations depends. It is only by such means that enduring peace for Europe can be procured, but they imply the essentials of adequate preparation, of larger deliberation, and a true sense of values.

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Government Loan Pact with Kreuger and Toll.

A Trade Service message from Bogota says that the whole of the loan of G.$20,000,000 (£4,000,000) from the Kreuger and Toll Company, in return for which the company is granted a monopoly for the manufacture and importation of matches in Colombia for a period of ten years, will be devoted to the construction of public works.

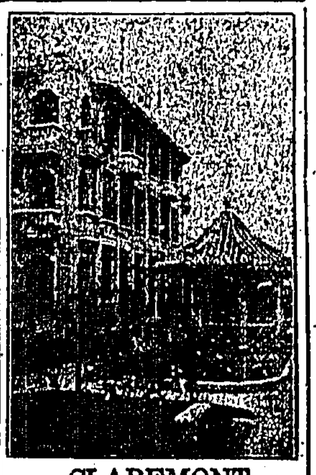
The match industry has hitherto been largely under the control of foreign capital, although there exists a number of small independent producers who will now be absorbed. Wax matches, usually, of excellent quality, are largely used, in spite of their not being suitable for tropical regions. In consequence of the limited amount of local supplies of wood suitable for match manufacture considerable imports from Sweden will be authorised.

"UNPATRIOTIC" TO PURCHASE FOREIGN GOODS.

Sir Henry Page Croft, M.P., speaking at Bournemouth, made a strong appeal for national co-operation to assist British industry and finance. He declared that, owing to reduced exports and the great flood of foreign imports, there was for the first time an adverse balance of trade after allowing for all invisible exports.

"While the present crisis lasts it is just as unpatriotic for a man or woman to buy a foreign article as if he or she had been helping the enemy during the war, and if every Briton insists on buying British goods only it will be of the greatest help in restoring the balance of trade, in stengthening and employing our people.

"Everyone should notify his tradesmen forthwith that he must not be supplied with any but British goods—British produce, meat and eggs. If British produce cannot be obtained then Empire produce should be demanded. Public opinion should be brought to bear on those who ignore their patriotic duty. If men of profiteering disposition start buying American dollars or selling British stocks they must be ostracised from decent society."



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"BED AND BREAKFAST."

The Players

Audrey ..... Jane Baxter
Toby ..... Richard Cooper
Bernard ..... David Hawthorne
Anne ..... Sari Maritza
Alf Dunning ..... Alf Goddard
Mrs. Dunning ..... Ruth Maitland
Canon Boase ..... Frederick Volpe.
Mrs. Boase ..... Muriel Aked
Bill ..... Cyril McLaglen
Harry ..... Mike Johnson
Theodore ..... Ian Wilson
MacDuff ..... Alexander Gillette
Police Sergeant . Matthew Boulton.

As we remarked on another page yesterday, supporters of British films are being well catered for now in this British Colony of ours. There has not been one failure amongst the British talkies so far "seen and heard" here. Another winner has been secured by the King's Theatre for the next change of programme to-morrow. This is the notable stage farce "Bed and Breakfast," transformed into a talkie. Having been present at the advance screening we can confidently recommend "Bed and Breakfast" as first class entertainment.

The picture opens with tiffs between two couples in separate flats, ending in the wife of one and the husband of another going for a motor joy ride and being stormbound as the result of very heavy rain. The other wife and the other husband follow in their wake, the idea of each couple being to teach the other couple a lesson. Complications of a humorous nature arise in a country bungalow which the pursuing couple reach before the first couple. The fun waxes merrily when a padre and his wife arrive for shelter, followed by a bookmaker and his wife and a "Simple Simon." And all the while a pair of burglars are in the bungalow! How the plot develops need not be disclosed here, nor need the denouement be divulged. Sufficient is it to say that the producers, Gaumont, do ample justice to the talkie version of the farce.

Noted British artistes in Jane Baxter and Richard Cooper make of the talkie a great success, but even the minor roles play a not unimportant part. The picture is crammed full of amusing quips and situations, but, at the same time, is clean and wholesome throughout.

Preceding "Bed and Breakfast" the Home country is brought to us on the screen by the popular Gaumont news reels, which are better and brighter than ever.

From Other Sources.

"SHIPMATES."

Hobart Bosworth has played more Navy roles than any other actor on the screen, having been before the camera for 20 years.

His latest role is in "Shipmates," a thrilling new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer feature showing for the last time to-day at the Queen's Theatre with Robert Montgomery playing his first starring role as the sailor-hero.

Harry Pollard directed the picture with Dorothy Jordan playing opposite Montgomery.

"BODY AND SOUL."

A much heralded screen drama and a loudly lauded new film star, in the company of the most celebrated movie idol, are the attractions at the King's Theatre and judging from the applause, the film, the star and the idol lived up to every word of praise which has been previously said about them.

The film is the Fox Movietone, "Body And Soul," the new star, Elissa Landi, the sensation of Europe's screen and Broadway's stage, and the idol, the talking screen's most popular actor, Charles Farrell.

Miss Landi brings to the screen not only beauty but talent. She gives a performance that is vivid, intense and delicately shaded at all times and this reviewer feels absolutely safe in saying that she is unquestionably the most important "find" since the screen began to talk.

Charles Farrell in the role of a young and romantic aviator, gives an intelligent and convincing performance which is equal to anything he has previously done.

"COCK O' THE WALK."

A native of Vienna, Joseph Schildkraut comes by his fondness for melody naturally; and with his training in composition and in the violin, his knowledge of music affords him genuine pleasure in the hours away from the studio. He frequently plays the violin on the stage and on the screen, when the parts call for it, and in "Cock o' the Walk," his violin playing provides an interesting interlude in the cafe scenes of the picture.

This James Cruze production will be presented at the Central Theatre to-morrow. Schildkraut considers his part of Carlos Lopez, a dashing Latin lover in the story, one of his best roles. The talkie is based on the popular novel, "Happiness Insurance," by Arturo S. Mom. In the supporting cast are Myrna Loy, Olive Tell, Wilfred Lucas and Edward Peil.

"THE DRUMS OF JEOPARDY."

Harold MacGrath's famous novel, "The Drums of Jeopardy," comes to the last day of its engagement to-day at the Central Theatre with Warner Oland, June Collyer and Lloyd Hughes featured.

The drums of the title are set with rubies and are hung on a necklace that was once stolen from the neck of the wife of the Emperor of India. Tradition says that a man has only to hang the necklace about a woman's throat and she will refuse him nothing, but if one of drums is detached and sent to a man he will die within 24 hours!

There is a love story, June Collyer playing an American art student who falls in love with the youngest Russian Prince and nearly loses her life with her heart.

"IT'S A WISE CHILD."

Marion Davies and Director Robert Z. Leonard have proved one of the most prolific and successful star-director teams in picture history. This combination is responsible for the new comedy, "It's a Wise Child," which will open to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

In "It's a Wise Child" Miss Davies is said by advance scouts to have achieved her greatest comedy characterisation to date.

The stage play on which the new film is founded ran for a solid year on Broadway and was adapted to the screen by its author, Laurence E. Johnson.

In addition to the new cruiser Ning-hai, which is being constructed in Japan, the Minister of Navy has placed orders with the Kiangnan Dock and Engineering Works, Shanghai, for the building of two new gunboats, the Pinghai and the Min-chu.

A Treaty of Commerce and Navigation has been signed on behalf of Roumania and Greece at Bucharest.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

6-6.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

7.05-7.45 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestral—
Falling in Love,
You Forgot Your Gloves,
Waring's Pennsylvanians.

Instrumental—
(a) Lullaby (Brahms),
(b) Little Sandman (Brahms),
(c) Hush My Babe (Rousseau),
(d) Lullaby (Mozart),
(e) Cradle Song (Schubert),
(f) Sweet and Low (Barnby),
Alexander Schmidt (Violinist) with 'Cello, Clarinet & Piano.

Song—
Right Now!
Moonlight Saving Time,
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone).

Ocarina Solo—
The Wren—Polka,
Carnival of Venice ....Fred Brano.

Organ Solo—
Mexicali Rose,
The Four Little Farms,
Sigmundo del Oro.

Violin Solo—
Could I.
Giulietta Morino with Guitar and Piano.

Violin Solo—
Ramona,
Giulietta Morino with Guitar.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

7.45-8.15 p.m.—Operatic.

Gems from "Bohemian Girl" (Balfe),
Victor Light Opera Company.
Tannhauser—Overture (Wagner),
Mitglieder der Staatskapelle.
Gems from "Mignon" (Thomas),
Gems from "Tales of Hoffman" (Offenbach) .....Victor Opera Co.

8.15-8.30 p.m.—Organ Solos.

Chorale No. 3 in A Minor (Cesar Franck) .....Guy Weitz.

8.30-8.57 p.m.—Orchestral and Band Selections.

Boccaccio—Tarantelle e Valzer (von Suppe),
Marcia Turca (Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart) .....Banda Creatore.
Marche Joyeuse (Chabrier-Hinrichs),
Danse Slave (Chabrier),
Victor Symphony Orchestra.
Masked Ball—Selection (Verdi arr. Creatore),
Creatore's Band.

8.57-9.10 p.m.—

Trio in G Minor (Haydn),
1st Movt.—Andante.
2nd Movt.—Poco Adagio Cantabile.
3rd Movt.—Rondo.
Alfred Cortot—Jacques Thibaud—Pablo Casals.

9.10-10 p.m.—A Concert.

Piano Solo—
Hungarian Rhapsody No. 11 (Liszt) .....Alfred Cortot.

Song—
The Gypsy and the Bird
Parlal Valse (Arditi).
Madame Amelita Galli-Curci (Soprano).

Violin Solo—
Do You Know My Garden?
(Haydn Wood),
No One Knows (Gordon),
Renee Chemet.

Song—
Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes (Jonson),
Believe Me if All Those Endearing Young Charms (Thomas Moore),
Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone).

Piano Solo—
Cradle Song (Brahms),
Sous Le Palmier (Under the Palms (Albeniz) .....Alfred Cortot.

Song—
The Little Silver Ring
(Chaminade),
Bird Songs at Eventide
(Barrie-Coates),
John McCormack (Tenor).

Violin Solo—
Cancion Popularo
(De Falla-Kochanski),
Malaguena (Albeniz-Kreisler),
Fritz Kreisler.

10-10.15 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.

Carmen Sylvia (Ivanovici),
Eva (Lehar-Schott),
Nat Shilkret & His International Orchestra.
Southern Roses (Strauss),
Wine, Woman and Song (Strauss),
Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day — King's Theatre: "Body and Soul."
To-day — Queen's Theatre: "Shipmates."
To-day — Central Theatre: "The Drums of Jeopardy."
To-day — Majestic Theatre "Ladies Love Brutes."
To-day — Star Theatre: "A Lady of Scandal."
To-day—World Theatre—"When a Daughter Seeks Revenge" (Chinese film).

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 4.

Home Mails.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Suez (Kashmir).

Friday—Outward for Europe via Siberia (Empress of Asia), 10 a.m.

Meetings.

September 29—Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society annual meeting, City Hall, 5.45 p.m.

September 30 — Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre, noon.

October 9—Hong Kong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 2 Lower Albert Road, 10.45 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

Friday—Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps promenade concert, Volunteer Headquarters, 9.15 p.m.

'CHINA' EXHIBITION

To Be Held in the City Hall.

An exhibition of great interest to residents will be held in the City Hall on November 5, 6, and 7. The main object is to foster interest in Chinese arts and crafts.

A most interesting portion will be the display of ancient Chinese art, bronzes, ivories, porcelain and embroideries. There are many wonderful specimens of the artist's work in these materials in Hong Kong, almost all in the hands of private collectors.

An even more popular section of the exhibition should be the stalls where craftsmen may be seen working in ivory, brass, silver and jade and making such everyday articles as feather dusters, bamboo mats, grass sandals and palm leaf raincoats.

The exhibition will conclude each day with a firework display on the Murray Parade Ground.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, has promised to open the exhibition.—Contributed.

CALENDAR REFORM.

One of the most interesting figures at Geneva this year will be Mr M. B. Cotsworth, whose whole life has been devoted to the cause of calendar reform.

After travelling in sixty-three countries, where he examined all known calendars—and they are very numerous—Mr. Cotsworth has latterly been Adviser to the League of Nations on Calendar Reform.

His own plan for a year of thirteen months, with each month exactly twenty-eight days, is already used for accountancy purposes by the railway companies and many of our largest business concerns, and in all probability will be recommended to the nations of the world by the League of Nations Conference on Calendar Reform which is to be held at Geneva in October.

Mr. Cotsworth, who is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, may yet win the title of the "Last of the Calendar Makers."

HYPNOTISM AT THE GAMING TABLE.

Women Pawns Who Make Fortunes.

PLAY CONTROLLED!

Paris, August 23.

An allegation that hypnotism is being used as a means of swindling at casino gambling tables is being made at Juan les Pins.

The management of the casinos has noticed that for some time past some women have persistently won large sums at the baccarat table. It is stated that the members of a syndicate which owns a big baccarat bank have complained that unless the hypnotists can be traced and barred from the casino they will have to give up the bank for good. They point out that the methods employed would enable the hypnotists to break the bank of every casino in France.

The suggestion is that a group of hypnotists send women to play. The hypnotists post themselves at various points round the table as spectators, carefully observing everybody's cards. With this knowledge they control the play of their pawns by hypnotic suggestion. It is believed that some, at any rate, of the women who have thus been making enormous profits at the tables do not even know that they are being used in this way. They are put under hypnotic influence, and then when they take their seats are controlled by the spectator, who strolls about on the other side of the table.

Intense Mental Strain.

Those who are said to be working this new method are declared to be quite satisfied if they can bring off one big coup each night. The mental strain and concentration is said to be so great for the hypnotist that he cannot continue it for more than a short time.

At present the casino authorities are somewhat sceptical of this explanation. They are, however, none the less certain that by some trick or other the odds in favour of the bank are being regularly interfered with.

STANDARD TIMES.

Sunrise and Sunset in Colony.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for September, 1931, Standard time of the 120th Meridian East of Greenwich) are as follows:—

September	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
23	6.12	6.20
24	6.12	6.19
25	6.12	6.17
26	6.13	6.17
27	6.13	6.16
28	6.14	6.15
29	6.14	6.14
30	6.14	6.13

Moscow is to have an underground. The Central Committee of the Communist party has decreed that construction of a railway beneath the city shall be begun next year.

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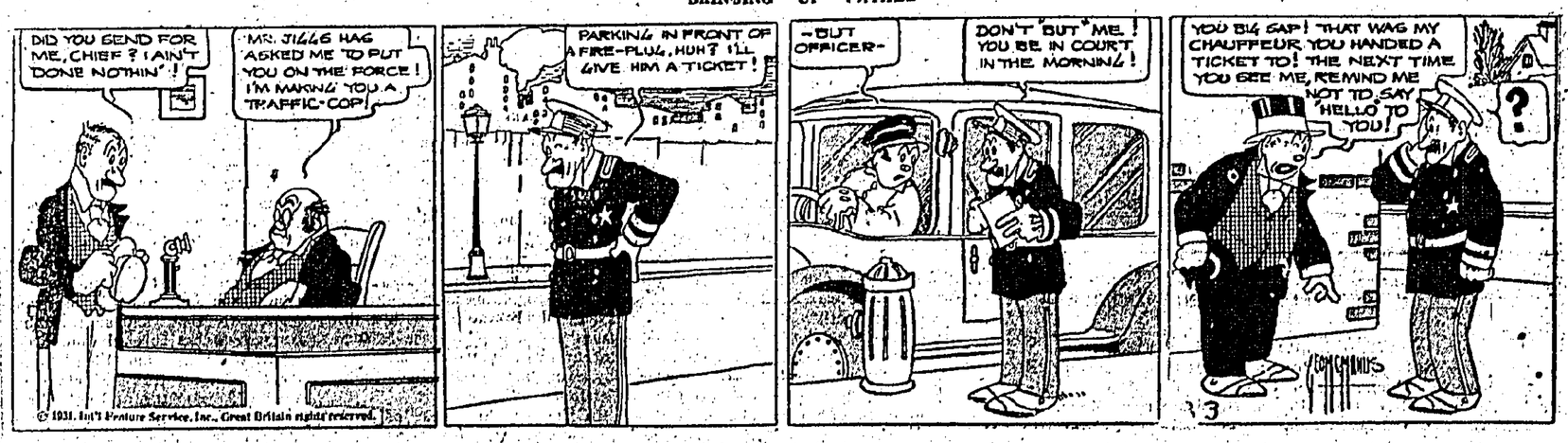

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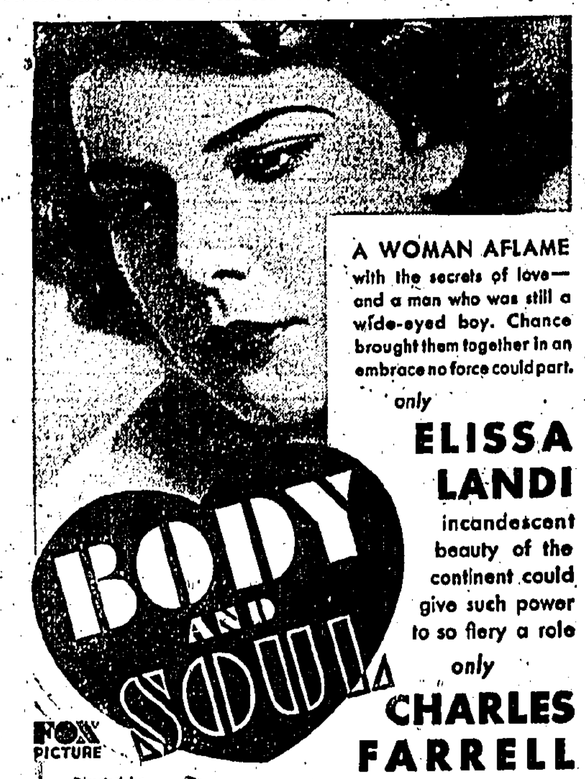

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

Y.M.C.A. LOSE FIRST HOCKEY GAME.

Radio Sports Accept Opportunities.

HOME FORWARDS WEAK.

At King's Park yesterday the Y.M.C.A. first eleven opened their hockey season with a defeat at the hands of the Radio Sports Club by three goals to nil. The game opened at a fast pace and was much closer contested than the score might suggest. At half time the visitors led by two goals to nil, and their third goal was scored soon after the resumption. They were undoubtedly the superior team, but a score of one goal to nil would have been a better indication of the run of the play.

The inability of the "Y" backs to shadow the visiting centre forward was largely responsible for their downfall. He led them a merry dance and scored two of the goals. The backs, on the other hand, were hard-pressed throughout, and, if they did not find their forwards with passes, they came out of the game with flying colours. Time and again they were forced to hit almost blindly to relieve their goal and thus their forwards were unable to organise any method of attack.

Moss played a splendid game in goal and it was not his fault that the side went down. One full length save with his hand was one of the main features of the game.

Tate and Murphy played well in defence and covered each other satisfactorily, though they were too keen to rid themselves of the ball after emerging successfully from a dangerous position. McLellan, at centre-half, played a good defensive game and was ever in the limelight, but his scoop shots for once failed to find their mark. F. S. W. Smith played a useful game at left-half and marked his winger in a creditable manner. Allen, the other half-back, was a trifle slow off the mark, but his defensive play was sound.

None of the forwards distinguished himself, W. J. Brown probably being the best player in a poor attack. The wings lent little support to their inside marksmen, who were too closely shadowed to prove effective when opportunity arose. Several times, however, the ball went across the goal mouth inviting the parting flick for a goal, but these opportunities went abegging.

For the visitors the outstanding players were the centre-forward, the inside left, and A. E. Guest at full back. Guest played a cool game throughout, and his clearing shots were both well-placed and beautifully timed. The Radio Sports were playing without Gilchrist, their versatile centre-half, who has hurt his foot

Result:—

Y.M.C.A. 0

Radio Sports 3

Y.M.C.A.:—G. C. Moss; A. Tate, E. O. Murphy; F. Allen, D. McLellan (captain), F. S. W. Smith; G. C. Burnett, F. Parker, W. H. Smith, W. J. Brown, and T. J. Price.

HONG KONG TITLE HOLDER IN FORM.

Leung Tak Kwong Well Beaten.

CANTON VISIT.

The following were the results of the second day's play of the unofficial visit of three local lawn tennis exponents to Canton during the week-end.

C. A. L. Rumjahn (Hong Kong champion) beat Leung Tak-kwong 1-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-1.

C. A. L. Rumjahn and D. Hazell beat G. Bodiker and Leung Tak-kwong 6-3, 6-1.

G. Bodiker and Ma Chi-huen beat D. Hazell and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy 6-4, 10-8.

The teams this finished on level terms, both sides recording three wins.

The gate receipts for the Flood Relief Fund totalled over $500 for the two days.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY—To-day—Hong Kong Hockey Club's Second Trial.

RUGBY—To-day — Practice Game at King's Park.

Saturday—New Kowloon Rugby Club Trial Game.

SAILING — To-day — Trevessa Trophy at 4 p.m.

LAWN TENNIS—To-morrow—"A" Division—I.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.

Friday—"C" Division—Recreio v. C.R.C.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—Aitkenhead Shield — Kowloon v. Hong Kong.

RACING — Saturday — Eighth Extra Meeting at 1.30 p.m.

ABROAD.

GOLF—To-day to Saturday—U.S. Ladies' National Championship.

YACHTING — To-morrow—Lipton Trophy for Outboard Races at Philadelphia.

FOOTBALL — Saturday — Full English and Scottish League programmes.

RACING — Saturday—Newbury Autumn Cup.

AITKENHEAD SHIELD CONTEST.

Six Rinks Chosen for Kowloon.

TO MEET HONG KONG.

The annual lawn bowls match for the Aitkenhead Shield will be played on Saturday on the Craigengower C.C. green commencing at 3.30 p.m.

The four Kowloon First Division rinks and two mixed Second Division rinks have been selected as under:

Kowloon Dock R.C.—C. Atkinson, J. V. Ramsay, J. C. Brown, and J. Puncheon (Skip).

Kowloon Bowling Green.—H. Nish, R. Hall, W. Russell, and A. M. Holland (Skip).

Club de Recreio.—C. E. Marques, A. S. Gomes, L. C. R. Souza, and C. G. Silva (Skip).

Kowloon Cricket Club.—F. Goodwin, H. Overy, J. C. Lyal, and A. Hyde-Lay (Skip).

Second Division.—A. Calman, J. J. Basto, G. Henderson, and F. X. M. Silva (Skip).

Second Division.—H. Stoneham, A. C. Burford, F. G. Herridge, and V. Petherick (Skip).

HONG KONG LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

Election of Officials at Annual Meeting.

At the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club, which was held in Lane Crawford's Restaurant yesterday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. W. T. Southorn; Captain, Miss E. Gray; Vice Captain, Miss M. Wallace; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. P. M. Harrop; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Miss E. O'Hagan; Hon. Treasurer, Miss E. S. Laing; Committee, Misses J. Smalley, J. Whyte and J. Coppin; Selection Committee, Miss E. Gray, Miss M. Wallace, Miss K. Ferguson and Mrs. P. M. Harrop.

A good deal of training for football consists of lapping—jogging round the track. How on earth a runner can do that sort of thing every day for months on end I cannot understand. Lapping, to my mind, is one of the soul-destroying pastimes of this world.—Alex. Jackson.

CRICKET IN THE MAKING.

Without going back to the very beginings of things in cricket it is pleasant to go on to a cricket field of 100 years ago, and potter round, and observe how those old fogeys, as we term them, but who were in reality very alert young men, played the time-honoured game.

Their dress was not so loose as ours is on the cricket field to-day. They wore tight knee-breeches, top-hats and had no idea of turning up their shirt sleeves.

In an old and authentic print, I see that the bowler has a handkerchief tied round his left knee. This was equivalent to the navvies' bowyang and enabled him to drop more easily and without strain on his left knee to stop the ball. An ancient book "The Young Cricketer's Tutor" has it: "The long stop holds a most important station in the game of cricket. His appointment is behind the wicket-keeper, and he should stand in, so as to save the one run." It is further explained that he should go down on one knee so that if his hands miss the ball "his body will form a bulwark and arrest its further progress."

The day of the long-stop has long since gone, though in these days of the wild, erratic fast bowler, first slip has to keep a very lively look-out and hop round as an active long-stop when wild-flying balls are utterly beyond the reach of the hard-worked and harassed wicket-keeper.

"Longfield to the hip" was a quaint term used for square-leg. His duty was "to stand out to save two runs opposite to the popping-crease."

In the matter of pitching the wickets the ancients could give us a few points. "In pitching the wickets" we are informed "much responsibility lies on the bowler. The chief art is to select a situation that will suit your own style of bowling, and at the same time prove disadvantageous to your adversaries. As these two points, however, can rarely be accomplished, you can at all events pitch the wickets in such a manner as to benefit yourself."

To-day we use the term "point" without thinking much what that position in the field indicates. The ancients used the term "the point of the bat." The aforesaid cricketer's tutor says that "the young fieldsman who is appointed to this situation should possess a quick eye and a quick action," and emphasis is lent to the statement by the additional instruction that "he should place himself within three yards and a half of the batsman" Rather close quarters, one would say, even in these days of a highly-developed silly point.

In the old chronicles of cricket we find that the law of leg-before-wicket "was not passed, nor much wanted, till Ring, one of our best hitters, was shabby enough to get his leg in the way and take advantage of the bowlers; and when Tom Taylor, another of our best hitters, did the same, the bowlers found themselves beaten, and the law was passed to make leg-before-wicket out."

Since that far-away day there has been so much thwarting of the bowlers' best efforts, by the use of the pad, that bowlers are at last rising in protest against this unfair method of batting, if batting it can be called.

These old-time cricketers played the game with great zest and keenness, and some mighty contests used to take place for high stakes. "I remember in one match," said Beldham (an old cricketer), "in Kent, Ring was playing against David Harris. The game was much against him. Sir Horace Mann was cutting about with his stick amongst the daisies, and cheering every run—you would have thought his whole fortune (and he would often bet some hundreds) was staked upon the game; and as a new man was going in, he went across to Ring and said, 'Ring, carry your bat through and make up all the runs, and I'll give you £19 a year, for life.' Well, Ring was out for 60 runs, and only three to tie, and four to beat, and the last man made them."—A.S.S.

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There was repeated to me the other day a saying of one of the most illustrious of all golfers of this effect: a man may always slice or always hook and yet be a good player, but if he sometimes slices and sometime hooks then he cannot be a good player.

For most of us, who are beset by so many more sins than one, it is a depressing dictum, but if it is not taken too literally it is, I think, painfully true. When we are told of some unquestionably good player that he has had a bad day, we can as a rule picture the disaster to ourselves pretty clearly. If, for instance—and it is a most unlikely contingency—I heard that my friend E. did not drive well, I do not waste time and sorrow in imagining a high, slicy ball floating into the rough on the right. I know precisely what occurred. As a rule his ball flies some 6ft. from the ground and on alighting runs rather to the left in the manner always attributed, whether or not with scientific accuracy, to a scalded cat. On this occasion it met some obstruction about 4ft. high and sat down. Take a rather more complex case, that of my other friend R., of whom I hear with unaffected grief that he has spent the day in the thickest of the heather. I hazard the supposition that he was hooking too magnificently, and am told not at all, that his ball was invariably to the right. "Ah, I see," say I; "he was trying for his hook, then, but he wasn't getting it." Superficially I may have appeared to be wrong at first, but in principle I had been right.

In trifling with the terror of libel one has to be careful, and, therefore, I have chosen as examples two hookers and will not hint at a slicer, even under fictitious initials. A slicer might have the law of me, whereas no man really objects to being called a hooker; in his heart he thinks that there is something virile and splendid about it, and naturally he thinks so more than ever nowadays when we are taught that we are utterly beyond the pale if we do not hit "from inside out." There is as much difference as there is between a flattering accusation of having sown wild oats and an insulting suggestion of having none to sow.

Now and again, of course, one can be wrong in one's guess, and I was delightedly wrong the other day. I was about to play in a Foursome against an old friend, a very fine golfer indeed, of whom sad stories had been told me, and he himself declared that he could not hit the ball. I hinted, with a suitably sympathetic air, at the quick hook, and he answered wearily "No, a slow slice." In fact, we turned out both to be wrong, for he hit every ball as straight as an arrow right down the middle of the fairway, while I, who had been prepared to shed tears, had to demand them for myself. It was one of the most truly pleasant of all surprises, and I trust that he will now go on hitting straight for ever and ever.

The obvious advantage of a single besetting sin is that the sinner has only a certain number of first-aid remedies to keep in his head. "It may be," wrote the author of "The Golfer's Manual" in 1857, "that the golfer finds some difficulty in keeping his ball on the course; that, stand as he will, play ever so coolly, one stroke shoots to the left, another to the right, in the most unaccountable fashion. He may safely conclude there is something rotten in the state of his play." He assuredly may, but the field of that something is so despairingly large, whereas the man with one sin need turn out only a few mental pigeon-holes in order to find what he wants. In his biography of Mr. E. G. Tait Mr. John Low wrote that when Tait was off his putting he asked one question: "Am I moving my body or am I taking the club back crooked?" He knew that so far as he was concerned those were the only two putting faults that counted—a truly enviable piece of knowledge.

The advantages of sinning only in one direction may be carried a step farther, though it is a step of which every one may not approve. The player is so constantly on the look-out for his one fault he can almost correct it in advance before he has committed it. At the very slightest symptom he can apply the right remedy, just as, at our very first sneeze, the domestic deities dose us with cinamon and ammoniated quinine. He may seem to his partners or his adversaries to be playing perfectly, but he feels what they cannot see, that he was within an inch of overbalancing after that last drive, that the right hand only came over in the very nick of time to prevent the ball sailing away to the right. The White Queen, it will be remembered, screamed because she had not picked her finger yet but she soon should; when she fastened her shawl again the brooch would come undone. "Take care!" cried Alice. "You're holding it all crooked." But it was too late and the finger was picked. The one-sin golfer is rather like the White Queen, but if he can say to himself in time, "You're holding it crooked" the mischief may be averted.

No doubt the prophylactic attitude towards the game can be overdone, and in any case, nice, cheerful people may say that this

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is no way in which to play a game, that we should rejoice in the blue sky while it lasts and not put on makintoshes for one tiny cloud on the horizon. Some of us, however, are less happily constituted and are uneasy if we do not at least carry our mackintoshes with us. Besides, we dare to hope that they will cheat a malicious Providence into thinking it not worth while to send the rain. To such people it is almost inconceivable to play a round of golf with no recipes to remember, no signs and portents to look out for—nothing but jovial, unapprehensive slogging. They would be quite unable to enjoy themselves. If they must have something to worry about, it is as well that they should have as few things as possible, and so, you see, there is something to be said even for a slice.—The Times.

AQUATIC SPORTS OF SOUTH CHINA A.A.

First Day Produces Five New Records.

LADIES PROMINENT.

The following were the full results of the first day of the South China Athletic Association's annual aquatic sports yesterday:

200 Metres Invitation Relay Race (Open to Chinese).—1. South China A.A., 2 mins. 4 secs. (record); 2, Chinese Bathing Club, 2 mins. 4.2 secs.

50 Metres Free Style (Ladies).—1, Yeung Shau-king, 40 secs. (record); 2, Yuen Pui-cheung, 47.5 secs.; 3, Yeung Shau-chun, 48 secs.

50 Metres Free Style (Boys and Girls under 15 years of age).—1, Li Yu-kwong, 52 mins. 6 sec.; 2. Iu Po-man, 53 min. 8 sec.; 3, Leung Wing-han, 55 min. 2 sec.

100 Metres Free Style (Men's Handicap).—1, Leung Yun-hang; 2, Leung Lai-sang; 3, Lam Sing-to.

100 Metres Free Style (Men).—1, Chan Ki-chung, 1 min. 8.6 secs. (record); 2, Cheung Wing-kwong, 1 min. 17.7 secs.; 3, Yeung Hang-wah, 1 min. 18.4 secs.

50 Metres Free Style (Ladies Handicap).—1, Ching Siu-ki, 2, Yeung Kau-wah; 3, Ching Siu-wah.

Water Polo Ball Throwing.—1, Chan Ki-chung, 75'7"; 2, Wong Ki-chau, 62'; 3, Yeung Hang-wah, 59'4".

100 Metres Ladies' Free Style.—

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1, Yeung Shau-king, 1 min. 36.8 secs. (record); 2, Yuen Pui-han, 1 min. 48.2 secs.; 3, Yeung Sau-chun.

100 Metres Free Style Handicap (Boys and Girls under 15 years).—1, Yuen Che-kok; 2, Chin Wai-cheung.

400 Metres Men's Free Style Championship.—1, Chan Ki-chung, 6 mins. 18 secs. (record); 2, Cheung Wing-kwong, 7 mins. 4.1 secs.; 3, Yeung Yuen-wah, 7 mins. 13 secs.

200 Metres Ladies' Breast Stroke (Championship).—1, Yeung Shau-king, 3 mins. 14 secs. (record); 2, Yuen Pui-han.

Games—and especially cricket—are not made, they grow.—Maurice Tate.

RUGBY FOOTBALL. RESULTS.

Harlequins Beat the Wasps.

COVENTRY WIN.

London, Sept. 18.

The following were the results of to-day's Rugby Union Games.

Harlequins	8	Wasps	3
Bristol	4	Cardiff	8
Headingly	36	Manchester	0
Coventry	5	Bridgend	0
Gloucester	3	Lydney	5
Leicester	16	Old Blues	0
Bath	5	Swansea	8
Plymouth	16	Northampton	8
Bradford	8	Sale	9
Aberavon	23	Briton Ferry	0
Burton on Trent	3	Rosslyn Park	0

PARACHUTE RECORD BY A DANE.

Makes Seven Jumps in 33 Minutes.

HEIGHT OF 1,000 FEET.

Mr. John Tranum, the Danish parachutist, who has made 1,400 jumps from aeroplanes, set up, what is claimed to be a new world record at Hesson Air Park recently, when he jumped seven times from a height of 1,000 feet in 33 minutes 45 seconds. The previous record was four descents in an hour.

Thousands of people attending an air pageant to celebrate the opening of a new public enclosure at the air park watched him breathlessly as he landed neatly within thirty yards of the centre of the aerodrome.

RENE LACOSTE SPEAKS OUT.

France Need Not Fear Britain.

ZENITH REACHED.

According to Rene Lacoste, France should have little to fear from Britain in future Davis Cup ties.

Rene, who is more frank than complimentary regarding our players, says that both "Bunny" Austin and Fred Perry (in spite of his youth) will never play better than they did in the recent Davis Cup final, and adds that he does not see any likely to become champions among our many excellent young players.

So far as the French "stars" are concerned, Lacoste is convinced that Cochet will not forfeit his amateur status, and will be as good if not better than he has been for the last few years. Brugnon, also, may be relied on for one or two more seasons.

As for Borotra, Lacoste does not agree with the French critics of the "Bounding Basque." He thinks Borotra's poor form this season is simply due to lack of confidence in himself.

HELEN WILLS AND THE LOOP-SHOT.

Soft Answer Turneth Away Wrath.

MIXING HER GAME.

Not for nothing has Mrs. Helen Moody (Helen Wills) been practising in far California away from competitive tennis. Apparently this world champion, who is renowned for her hurricane hitting, has developed her slow 'loop shot," which she used with disconcerting effect in her Wightman Cup matches, writes Bruce Harris in the Evening Standard.

The "loop shot" is the soft answer which turneth away wrath at lawn tennis. Its chief use is to break up the game of hard hitters like Miss Betty Nuthall and Miss Phyllis Mudford.

Both these players thrive on speed. When an adversary hits hard at them they can give the ball its "about turn" at compound interest. The "loop" drive is designed to force such hitters to make their own speed. As its name implies, it gives the net a wide berth, passing high above it at slow to medium pace. It usually carries top spin to keep the ball in court, and the bounce is fairly high.

In English lawn tennis Eric Peters, the only Englishman to beat W. T. Tilden, is the best known exponent of the "loop" shot.

Mrs. Moody has many shots to her locker. I do not believe for one moment that she is going to abandon the fast drive which is usually the main ingredient of her own game. She may use on occasions the "loop" shot at Wimbledon next year, as she used slow stuff when Mrs. Holcroft Watson menaced her in their Wightman Cup game here a year ago. But she will not desert the tactics which entitle her admirers to call her "Hard-hitting Helen." Why should she?

For our English players there is this obvious moral. If the world's champion is keen enough to go on perfecting new strokes ought not they to learn to "mix their game up"? And the proper place for learning is not the open tournament but the practice court.

AMERICAN STYLES

SUPREMACY OVER BRITAIN.

Methods Compared.

One of the first things that an American child has to learn is how to swim. It is more than a boy or girl's life is worth at school if they cannot do so as they are subjected to taunts and gibes of every description. The result of this is that there are very few citizens of the United States who cannot swim, for whether they liked it or not they were as much compelled to do so as an English child is taught to read and write. As a consequence there are many thousands of American men and women who take up swimming not only as a hobby and a pleasant recreation but also as a sport. And herein lies the case of America's aquatic superiority. Such challenges as she has to that supremacy come from France, Germany, Sweden, Japan and the Dominions. In fact, almost every country except Great Britain.

In England, for a child to be able to swim under ten years of age is regarded as something startling. In America, were he or she unable to do so it would be a rarity. Naturally then although we have one or two first-class swimmers such as Joyce Cooper and Celia Wolfenstone, we cannot compare with the quality and quantity of first-class swimmers that America produces. As for our men swimmers, their are conspicuous by their absence and with the possible exception of marathon swimmers, we have not a single swimmer likely to reach the final of an Olympic event. Our divers are even worse.

Seeing that we are an island race and entirely surrounded by water, this is a remarkable fact, but none the less true, and until to swim and to dive is in the curriculum of every school child's education we shall not improve, and will have to be content to remain as we are probably the worst nation of all at the sport.

The question will be asked promptly by those who always decry any attempt to put England on the map where sport of all kinds is concerned. "What does it matter if we cannot swim across a bath as fast as an American or a Frenchman or whatever natfonality the man may be?" That is the cry of all those who would let England lose any prestige that she may have had in the sporting world. "What does it matter?" It is a waste of time to argue with such people but there is in swimming something else to be considered apart from the sport of the game and that is the health-giving propensities that it produces. Swimming is without a doubt one of the finest exercises possible as it gives play to almost every muscle in the body while the fact that the body is exposed to the health-giving propensities of the water is another thing in its favour, especially should that water be salt.

The latest swimming prodigy from America is a fourteen-year-old girl from Hollywood, Katherine Rawls. She is indeed but a slip of a girl as she only weighs seven stone, and is barely five feet in height, but this freckled little youngster can swim. There is strength in this slim boyish-looking figure as she proved when she smashed two American records in the national championships, beating such world-famed swimmers as Eleanor Holm and Margaret Hoffman. Katherine first achieved fame as a diver, being only surpassed in her excellence in that spot by the celebrated George Coleman but she has now shown that she can also hold her own with the best swimmers in the world even at her tender age. She will be watched with considerable interest in the Olympics in which she is expected to credit America with at least one event.

When receiving you must not wait for the ball to begin dropping. You must not wait any longer than the top of the bound, and as that may be too high, it is best to get the ball before.—Senorita Lili de Alvarez.

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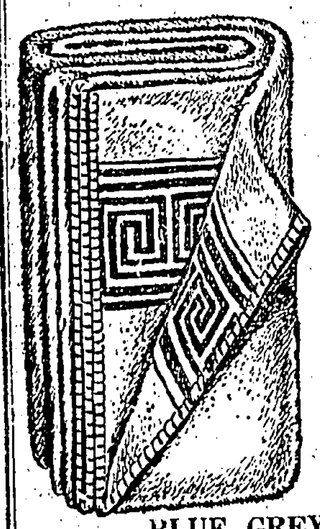

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1931.

Revising the Cuts.

Gratification will be felt, locally as well as at Home, at the announcement that the forceful protests of the lower deck of the Navy, the Army, and school teachers against the drastic cuts under the British Government's economy programme have had the desired effect.

In the House of Commons the Prime Minister intimated that, in order to avoid hardships, the reductions in the pay of the Defence Forces and of school teachers will not be more than ten per cent. This pleasing information is supplemented by an official message to the Naval authorities in this Colony. Mr. MacDonald added that there are undoubtedly classes of persons who are unfairly affected, and the Government has, in view of all the circumstances, come to the conclusion that the simplest way of removing just grievances is to limit reductions as regards teachers, Police, and the Defence Services to not more than 10 per cent. This decision will not apply to the higher ranks of Commissioned Officers in the Defence Services, and the balance of the Budget will be maintained.

In accordance with this decision the Naval authorities declare that officers and men who would have been transferred on October 1 from 1919 to 1925 rates of pay, will from that date receive their current rates of pay, less ten per cent., except that where this would reduce pay below the 1925 scale the latter will apply instead. Reductions of pay of senior commissioned ranks remain as already announced.

It has been no secret that, in the Colony, the extent of the original cuts evoked considerable comment—to use a very mild term—among all grades of the Defence Forces. In spite of that well known fact, however, the Shanghai newspapers last Friday published a Press message from Hong Kong purporting to give an official statement to the effect that there were no signs of unrest among Naval ratings here and that the latter appeared to realise the necessity for the cuts in view of the severe crisis facing the Home country. On the very next night, however, a meeting of the lower deck expressed in firm yet loyal language their view of the cuts in pay, these views being endorsed on Sunday night at a gathering of junior ratings. As was rightly emphasised in the exclusive report of the first meeting published in the *Sunday Herald*, there was never any question of rancour or animosity, nothing savouring of organised opposition, and an entire absence of any hint of passive resistance. If no relief had been forthcoming all Naval ratings were prepared to "take their medicine" gracefully, but they found it expedient to present their case first, following the example of the Atlantic Fleet. Provided that the Home Government fulfils its latest promise that no cuts in pay will be more than ten per cent., and that there will not even be individual cases of hardship, the lower deck will be quite satisfied.

It is only a pity that, even under very exceptional national circumstances, the members of the National Cabinet did not look before they leaped and averted very natural anxiety on the part of those classes to whom concessions have now been made. If the cost of these concessions to those who, in the opinion of the Government, would have suffered exceptional hardship, can be financed now out of additional savings and, if necessary, Budget surplus, they could have been all along. The Government's slogan at the start was equality of sacrifice, but that did not ring true—hence the reasoned protests of those whom the Government now tacitly admits would have suffered exceptional hardships. It has been taught a lesson, has profited by it, and all should end well if, as we have hinted above, it keeps its promise to the individual in letter and in spirit!

News in Brief.

Whilst engaged in work, Li Chou (31), an employee of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., sustained electrical burns to his right hand. He was sent to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

Admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital on Sunday, a Chinese woman, named Cheung Ho (37), committed suicide by hanging herself in the patients' ward at the hospital in the early hours of this morning.

It is notified at the Harbour Office that cable laying operations will be carried to-morrow, between Murray Pier and Kowloon Railway Station. The usual signals will be displayed by the vessel engaged in the work.

The body of an unknown Chinese man was found by the Police hanging by the neck on the first floor landing of the servants' staircase at 5, King's Terrace, Kowloon. The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary. Suicide is suspected.

After being chastised by her husband for gambling, a Chinese woman, Wong Lui-chun (29), of 529, Queen's Road West, drank a dose of sodium bi-carbonate, and is now a patient in the Government Civil Hospital undergoing treatment.

Early next month the King's Theatre will present A. E. W. Mason's celebrated thriller, "The House of the Arrow," also a British production, featuring Dennis Neilson-Terry and Benita Hume—two names which should in themselves prove a tremendous attraction to local audiences.

"Hard To Get," featuring Dorothy Mackaill, Charles Delaney and Jack Oakie, will be screened at the Majestic Theatre to-morrow. Miss Mackaill played in "Man Trouble" with the late Milton Sills, and Mr. Delaney was featured with Alice White in "Girl from Woolworths" shown here recently. Mr. Oakie's last appearance was in "The Social Lion" with Mary Brian.

Bangkok seems to be turning towards Hong Kong for its cold storage supplies. There are so many more sources available in Hong Kong, and therefore a greater variety, and at cheaper prices owing to the low dollar, so that in spite of the less frequent communications between the two ports, Bangkok can be better supplied from Hong Kong than from Singapore, where for cold storage supplies the choice is limited. This also applies to fruits and vegetables as well as meats, says the Bangkok Correspondent of the Singpore Free Press.

The Rt. Rev. John Curtis, Bishop of Chekiang, gave an interesting address on the Chung Hwa Sheng Kung Hui to Rotarians at their weekly tiffin yesterday. This Hui, which is an autonomous missionary organisation in communion with the Anglican Church throughout the world, has developed into a body which now guides the policy of missionary workers in China and supervises the future aims and aspirations of their work. Dr. Curtis is the first Bishop consecrated for work in China by this organisation. The importance of the Hui was shown by the fact that they now sent delegates to the Lambeth Conference, and consecrate their own Bishops irrespective of the Primate at Canterbury.

Personal Pars.

Lady Clementi sails from London for Malaya on October 8.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is suffering from over strain, and has been ordered a few days' rest in the country, says Reuter.

Mr. E. D. Simmon, Liberal Member for Withington, has been appointed Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, according to a British Wireless message.

"STUPID"—BUT NOT A SCOUNDREL!

Witness's Veracity Questioned.

"FORGED NOTES CASE."

At the continued hearing of the 'forged bank notes case,' before Mr. Justice Lindsell, this morning, the plaintiff, Wong To-po, was again cross-examined by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, and later by Mr. Leo d'Almada, jun. On several occasions witness's veracity was questioned, by His Lordship and counsel, but he insisted that his statements were correct.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo brought up a point which he considered was of grave importance, as to the use of the word "cumshaw" in the course of witness's conversations about the notes.

The witness this morning said that at first he did not understand the word "cumshaw" as used by the interpreter for "the European." What happened was that witness was given to understand that "something would be given to him." The word "cumshaw" was not used.—This was the impression he had meant to give before the Magistrate.

His Lordship: You know quite well you expected to make $3,000 out of this deal. Did you expect anything in addition?—No.

Then why should the interpreter say anything of the sort? You are not telling the truth, and you know it.

"Stupid Son-in-Law."

In replying to further questions, witness said that he never heard the interpreter say that all that was asked for the $10,000 worth of forged notes was $5,500, and that he (witness) could keep anything over and above that for himself. Neither did he give the impression that he was acting for anyone else.

Answering Mr. d'Almada, witness said that his father-in-law said he was "stupid" after he had lost the $7,000.

His Lordship: Not that you were a scoundrel?—No.

Witness said that his total income from his newspaper work was under $700 a year, whereupon Mr. d'Almada said, "We don't know yet what you have made from other transactions."

Mysterious Business.

Further questions elicited the admission that Wong had borrowed $500 from his prospective father-in-law for "banking business." This had been conducted by another man, and witness did not know its nature, nor had he asked the other man. He did not remember whether their was any profit on the business or not.

Mr. d'Almada: Do you remember saying yesterday that you had a fair memory?—I have a fairly good memory.

Mr. d'Almada: I should call it a convenient one.

Counsel suggested that there was general arrangement to repay these loans in about two months.—Witness said there was no definite arrangement.

A Very Bad Memory.

Regarding $300 he had once borrowed from the same person, witness said it was sent to his people in the country, who were in need.

Counsel: Your memory is deplorably weak, Mr. Wong. You told me in the Police Court that you needed the money for speculation in Chinese 20-cent pieces. I asked you then whether the 20-cent pieces were genuine or not, and you said they were genuine.—Yes, I remember that.

His Lordship: Then do you now agree that you borrowed the $300 for that purpose?—Yes.

I see. Then you were telling lies just now.—Witness was understood to reply that he had borrowed money on several occasions, and had confused them in his evidence.

Witness insisted he could not remember what profit he had made on these "outside" transactions. His father-in-law had asked him what he wanted the $7,000 for. Witness told him, "for business," but did not divulge its nature.

A Frank Admission.

Mr. d'Almada: You hoped to get rid of $10,000 in forged notes profitably in about one month, in which time you had agreed to repay the money?—Yes, because the first prisoner had told me that could be done. And if I did not get rid of them all he said I could return them to the European.

His Lordship: And get a pro rata refund?—Yes.

Mr. d'Almada: The disposal of the notes was your own look-out entirely?—Yes.

Are you telling the truth, Mr. Wong? You are on oath!—I am telling the truth.

Witness, speaking of his father-in-law, said he knew nothing of his business. He only saw him about once a fortnight.

His Lordship: You only see your fiancee once a fortnight!—She is in Canton, at school.

Mr. d'Almada: Would you say it was untrue if I put it to you that the $7,000 was not borrowed, but that you were acting for your father-in-law?—That is not true

Simple Father-in-Law.

You told him you had "been done in the eye?"—Yes.

Did he say anything about getting his money back?—Nothing.

Did he by any chance say that the marriage was off?—No.

His Lordship: Was he still willing to have you for a son-in-law?—Yes.

His Lordship: He must be as stupid as you, then!

Mr. d'Almada: Or else a party, My Lord.

His Lordship: I mean from his own point of view!

Witness also denied a suggestion that he wanted to get the notes to show to his father-in-law. Earlier, he had said he did not know that his father-in-law left for Macao three days before the present case started.

Mr. d'Almada said he was informed to that effect by the Police, who did not vouch for the fact. It was possible the man was in hiding.

After the final evidence for the prosecution, Mr. Hin-shing Lo expressed the opinion that the first defendant had no case whatever to answer.

Addressing His Lordship he said, "I submit that there is no evidence on three grounds. First, that he aided only as a negotiator for the sale of forged banknotes, and was never in possession or control of the $7,000. Secondly, there is no evidence to show that at the time of taking over the $7,000 from Mr Wong To-po and extracting $1,500 the prisoner had any criminal intent to steal. And finally, Mr. Wong To-po did not in fact and law pass possession of $7,000 to first prisoner, but had in fact parted, not only with possession, but also the property in the $5,500 to the European at No. 6 Caine Road on August 24.

Mr. Lo went on to quote cases in support of his contention.

His Lordship was expected to give his decision in regard to the first defendant later in the afternoon.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEE BOUND OVER.

PETTY PILFERING.

(Kowloon Magistracy).

Li Yau, an employee of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, was bound over in a bond of $50 for 12 months, when convicted of stealing a quantity of copper fittings from the Railway premises.

Prosecuting Mr. J. Smith said that accused was a good workman and had been in the service of the Railway for 10 years. The reason for bringing the case was that the petty pilfering might lead to more serious thefts, if no action were taken.

MOSQUITO DAY.

Some time ago a scientist prophesied that before many years elapsed August 20 would be recognised as a holiday in many parts of the world. The reason? It is the anniversary of the day on which Sir Ronald Ross made his famous discovery which showed us how to conquer malaria.

Sir Ronald has always privately celebrated "mosquito day," and in recent years his institute at Putney has also marked the occasion.

The 34th anniversary was celebrated last month.

NEWS IN ADVTS.

Entries for the first extra race meeting in Macao close to-morrow at noon.

To-day's Thought.

I am afraid the museum spirit is a little too dominant among us to-day, and it is not sufficiently realised that what is important to a nation is what it produces, not what it collects.

—Sir William Llewellyn, President of the Royal Academy.

FEARLESS LEADER IN THE WAR

COL. JOHN SHERWOOD-KELLY, V.C.

WOUNDED FIVE TIMES

REMOVED FROM HIS COMMAND FOR WRITING A LETTER.

Lieut.-Col. John Sherwood-Kelly, who was awarded the Victoria Cross for conspicuous bravery and fearless leadership in the war, died on August 18 in a Kensington nursing home, aged 51 years.

He had been suffering for some time from the after-effects of malaria contracted during his service in the Far East, and had been in the nursing home for two or three weeks.

At the time Col. Sherwood-Kelly earned the Victoria Cross he was an acting colonel of the Norfolk Regiment, but commanding a battalion of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers.

Leading The Charge.

In announcing the award the London Gazette on January 11, 1918, stated that it was

for most conspicuous bravery and fearless leading when a party of men of another unit detailed to cover the passage of the canal by his battalion were held up on the near side of the canal by heavy rifle fire directed on the bridge. Lieut.-Col. Sherwood-Kelly at once ordered covering fire, personally led the leading company of his battalion across the canal, and, after crossing, reconnoitred under heavy rifle and machine-gun fire the high ground held by the enemy.

The left flank of his battalion, advancing to the assault of this objective, was held up by a thick belt of wire, whereupon he crossed to that flank, and with a Lewis gun team forced his way, under heavy fire through obstacles, got the gun into position on the far side, and covered the advance of his battalion through the wire, thereby enabling them to capture the position.

Later he personally led a charge against some pits from which a heavy fire was being directed on his men, captured the pits, together with five machine-guns and 46 prisoners, and killed a large number of the enemy.

The great gallantry displayed by this officer throughout the day inspired the greatest confidence in his men, and it was mainly by his example and devotion to duty that his battalion were enabled to capture and hold their objective.

Col. Sherwood-Kelly, who was educated at St. Andrew's College, Grahamstown, joined the Rhodesian Police when he was 17. He afterwards served in the South African campaign, and for his bravery was promoted on the field and mentioned in despatches. He had four clasps to his Queen's Medal and two clasps to his King's Medal.

British Lives Sacrificed.

In the war he was wounded five times and mentioned five times in despatches, and in addition to the V.C. was awarded the C.M.G. and the D.S.O. After the Armistice he commanded the 2nd Hampshire Regiment in Northern Russia, and on his return to England in 1919 he wrote a letter to the Press strongly criticising the conduct of military operations there.

He suggested that troops sent for relief purposes only "were being used for offensive purposes on a large scale and far in the interior, in furtherance of some ambitious plan of campaign the nature of which we were not allowed to know.

"My personal experience of those operations," he said, "was that they were not even well conducted, and that they were not calculated to benefit, in a military or any other, sense a sound and practical British policy in Russia.

"I saw British money poured out like water and invaluable British lives sacrificed in backing up . . . . a worthless Government, and I became convinced that my duty to my country lay not in helping to forward a mistaken policy, but in exposing it to the British public."

Arrest and Court-Martial.

Intense excitement was aroused by the publication of this letter, and questions were asked in the House of Commons.

Mr. Winston Churchill, then Secretary of State for War, stated in Parliament that Col. Sherwood-Kelly had been removed from his command at Archangel by Lord Rawlinson for a serious offence under the Army Act. He "is now charged with an offence of a different character," Mr. Churchill said, "in regard to which disciplinary action must take its course."

Col. Sherwood-Kelly wrote a further letter to the Press explaining his differences with Lord Rawlinson and the reasons why he was relieved of his command in Archangel. Shortly afterwards he was placed under arrest for contravening the King's Regulations by writing to the Press on military matters. The same day he was released "without prejudice."

On October 28, 1919, the Colonel was court-martialled at the Middlesex Guildhall, and pleaded guilty to contravening the King's regulations. He contended that the offence was purely technical, and correspondence was produced to disprove the suggestion of insubordination in Russia.

"Loyalty to the Throne is with me a paramount ideal," he said. "I have sacrificed everything to carry those ideals into action. I have nothing left but a soldier's honour, so I plead with you to believe that the action I took was to protect my men's lives and to save the country from squandering wealth she could ill afford."

By order of the Court Col. Sherwood-Kelly was "severely reprimanded." A few weeks later he, until then a major, relinquished his commission "on completion of service," and was granted the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

Tackling A Heckler.

In 1923 and 1924 Col. Sherwood-Kelly unsuccessfully contested the Clay Cross division of Derbyshire in the Conservative interest. At one of his meetings a heckler called him a liar, and when the man refused to withdraw the epithet the colonel thrashed him and threw him out of the hall.

In 1927 he was sent to Bolivia to report on the affairs of Bolivia Concessions, Ltd., of which Lord Askwith and Sir Martin Conway, M.P., were directors. He opened up the country with a view to the settlement of British colonists. Roads and railways were built, and for the first time direct communication from Buenos Aires was established up the Paraguay River, and a new port was made 1,000 miles inland. Later, however, the colonisation scheme was abandoned.

After the King had completed his convalescence at Craigweil House, Bognor, Col. Sherwood-Kelly became the agent of Sir Arthur du Cros, the owner of the house, and made arrangements for showing it to visitors. Under his guidance some 15,000 people saw the rooms which had been occupied by his Majesty.

Col. Sherwood-Kelly was an intrepid hunter of big game, a keen horseman, and a skilled exponent of tennis, cricket, Rugby, and golf.

CABLE RECEIPTS.

The following has been received from the Head Office in London of the Eastern Extension Australasia & China Telegraph Company, Limited:—

Imperial & International Communications, Limited. Estimated Traffic Receipts.—August, 1931—£334,326. Receipts.—August, 1930—£411,099.

Aggregate Receipts January to August.—1931—£3,096,049. 1930—£3,656,038.

£18,500 must be deducted from the message receipts for August, 1931 in making a comparison with August, 1930, owing to changed conditions of sharing traffic.

JAPAN AND HER ARMY.

Proposed Increase of Korean Garrison.

OFFICIAL VIEWS.

Hints have been thrown out that, whoever else may follow a cheese-paring policy, fit, no doubt, for the bourgeoisie in a time of economic stringency, the Japanese War Office has more important matters to consider.

According to the recommendations of the report of the Military System Inquiry Commission, which has the approval of General Minami, Minister for War, General Kanaya, Chief of the General Staff, and General Muto, Inspector General of Military Education, money may be saved in various directions, but it is absolutely necessary to spend every penny of it on "mechanisation" and "chemicalisation," specific lines mentioned being aeroplanes, machine-guns, field-guns, motor-transport, armoured and other, and poison-gas equipment. On the other hand, the idea of a reduction in personnel or even in horses is condemned as impairing the efficiency of the defences, so says the Kobe correspondent of the Manchester Guardian.

Formosa's Needs.

Actually, the heads of the army are prepared for some reduction in numbers in Japan proper, but they insist on larger garrisons abroad. As regards Formosa, they agree that it must have a new battery of field artillery and another infantry regiment. This is simply stated, without any argument or explanation. There are more details given in regard to the proposed increase in the Korean garrison, though one might have expected more rather than less discretion on this point. The Minister for War, indeed, took care to explain that it was not on account of any necessity for keeping the Koreans in order that the garrison was to be enlarged. Troops were wanted in Korea for purely strategic purposes, because, in the event of military action becoming necessary in Manchuria or Mongolia, they could be dispatched with much more promptitude and celerity from Korea than from Japan proper, and "without exciting the feelings of the Powers." General Kanaya, in endorsing this view, also said that now was the time to do it, while General Ugaki was Governor General of Korea.

An Expensive Plan.

The Military System Inquiry Commission were unanimous as regards the necessity for transferring an additional army division to Korea, but they expressed some doubts regarding the possibility of carrying through in its entirety so expensive a plan, and alternatives have been suggested. Even the most enthusiastic militarists can hardly hope for an increased Budget allotment unless there is some immediate danger threatening; but the presentation of such a formidable list of expenses necessary for the adequate defence of Japan may be expected at least to keep the estimates from being cut down. The army is in a very strong position owing to the Minister for War and the Chief of the General Staff enjoying equal rights with the Premier of advising the Throne.

The talk of the prompt dispatch of troops to Manchuria or Mongolia has rather sinister suggestions. Relations do not improve, and the rising tide of nationalism in China covers Manchuria also, leading to demands for the economic circumvention of the South Manchuria Railway. At the same time there is a decreased willingness to accept the help of the South Manchuria Railway in constructing railway lines for the common benefit. One from Tunhua to the Korean border, which had great possibilities both economic and strategic, the Chinese have refused to go on with, notwithstanding much pressure. Sharp disputes, in which Korean immigrants to Manchuria are the catspaws, are frequent and disturbing. The appointment of a veteran diplomatist, Count Uchida, as president of the South Manchuria Railway is regarded as specially significant.

The State cannot afford to produce an intolerable sense of injustice in the taxpayer.—Sir E. Hilton Young.

Twenty of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were three scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, one cerebro-spinal fever case, and 27 diphtheria cases.

On Monday two cases of typhoid fever and one of diphtheria were notified.

CORONER ON DANGER OF KISSING DOGS.

Possible Fatal Result.

CANINE PARASITE'S EGGS.

The danger that people incur by kissing and feeding dogs while having their own meals was the subject of comment by the Westminster Coroner at an inquest on Maria Linnell, aged 69, a widow, of Rosebery Road, Exmouth.

Leonard H. Linnell, of North Wembley, a son, said that when his mother came to stay with him she seemed to be ill, and she was taken to hospital for an operation.

At Exmouth his mother had a wire-haired terrier of which she was very fond. She would kiss the animal and feed it at every meal.

The medical evidence was that when the operation was performed a hydatid cyst, the size of a coconut, was found, and part of it was removed. The patient died shortly after, and death was due to hemorrhage following the operation.

Dr. John Taylor stated that hydatid cysts were caused by the minute eggs of a canine parasite.

The Coroner: Could this lady have got this infection from the dog's mouth by kissing it?—Yes, possibly.

Or by handling the dog and then handling her own food?—Yes.

The coroner said this was not the first case of the kind that he had inquired into.

He recorded a verdict of death by misadventure.

SAMPAN MASTER FINED.

(Marine Court).

The master of a passenger sampan was charged this morning by Junk Officer Brett with (1) failing to take out a licence for his boat, and (2) having an unauthorised number on the boat. He denied both charges.

Evidence was given by Mr. Brett that a licence, which the accused produced and which corresponded with the number on his boat, was issued for a sampan measuring 14 feet 3 inches, whereas the accused's boat measured only 11 feet 8 inches.

The accused said that he had the boat built for him at Shaukiwan four years ago, and took out the licence (produced) for it. He renewed the licence three months ago.

The Magistrate: Was the boat measured then?—Yes.

Was it measured when you renewed it last year?—No.

And the year before that?—No. It was measured when I first took out the licence, and again three months ago on renewal.

Was the number burned into it when you first took out the licence?—No.

In giving his decision, his Worship said: "I cannot imagine that the officer licensing the boat took wrong measurements and further failed in his duty by not burning in the number. Even if such a mistake did happen it could not have been repeated when the licence was renewed. Everything points to this licence being for another boat. You are convicted on both counts."

On the first count accused was fined $4 or four days' hard labour, and on the other to $15 or two weeks' in jail, the terms of imprisonment to run consecutively in the event of the fines not being paid.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

Another Imported Case of Typhoid Fever.

50 TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended September 19, is as follows:—

	Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	7	1
Cerebro-spinal fever	1	—
Diphtheria	1	—
Tuberculosis	—	50

One case of typhoid fever was imported.

Summary to September 19.

The returns from January 1 to September 19 give the following figures:—

	Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	152	37
Small-pox	14	9
Scarlet fever	3	—
Diphtheria	88	28
Cerebro-spinal fever	16	8
Puerperal fever	18	9
Paratyphoid fever	1	—
Tuberculosis	—	2,025

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SCHOOLGIRLS OF TO-DAY.

Freedom's Gift of Self-Reliance.

A GREAT CHANGE.

From schools all over England girls have come home for the holidays and have dispersed with their parents to the seaside. They are prepared to be kind to their parents, who, in return, will treat them as rational creatures and not attempt to order them about without a clear understanding of the why and wherefore. The old parental "Because I say so" is dead as the dodo, writes O. M. Green in the Daily Telegraph.

Of all the changes that have come over England in the past thirty or forty years the handling of schoolgirls shows the greatest. Even in the nineties many girls never went to school but were taught at home by governesses. Games on an organised scale were hardly known. Tennis was played, but more or less casually. Girls had begun to bicycle, and hockey came in at the end of the century. But at many schools in Brighton, Eastbourne, and elsewhere, the principal exercise was walking on the Front in a "crocodile." Bathing was strictly secluded, and still practised in the stuffiest costumes. The notion of mixed bathing would have given the 'nineties fits.

I was invited not long ago to a display at a girls' school. They fenced like Cyranos, danced with the grace and agility of young panthers, and wound up with an exhibition of swimming and diving. Bare legs and feet, shining limbs, and costumes of which four together would not have made one for the Victorian girl. How their grandmothers would once have held up their hands. Yet even grandmothers can be educated. Several of them watched the display with evident pleasure, and some of them smoked cigarettes as they watched.

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As for the girls education, there can surely be no question of its vast improvement on the ways of the past. Charming the Victorian girls indeed were, perhaps not least for a certain mystery surrounding them which this practical age disdains. But they had to go through two or three very awkward years, about the time when their frocks were going down and their hair going up, and the still prevalent idea of marriage as the only career for them necessarily narrowed their outlook. The fact that practically every girl now trains for a profession has a great influence on her mode of thought.

But all this gym., Girl Guide work, mime, and especially the superb discipline and stimulus of Greek dancing, have done wonders for the schoolgirl. The late Mme. Pavlova's dictum that "true dancing feeds the mind" is justified in every one of these delightful children. It has given them a mental, as well as a bodily poise. They move gracefully and their manners correspond with the movement. After the dancing and swimming described above, the girls handed about tea and showed us over the school as if each one were the particular hostess of the afternoon.

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Easy and natural, without being forward, they have plenty to say for themselves, and say it with much freshness and force. Book-learning seems to be rather a secondary consideration, unless they are cramming for the matric. But literature is evidently well taught. All the girls I know—and I do not think they are exceptional—really delight in the old classics, particularly Shakespeare, and the best moderns. Curiously enough, Dickens appears to bore them. Is it that their self-reliant young natures cannot endure the stained-glass, lachrymose heroines whom his age adored?

In a word, education for the modern girl seems to have its proper sense of drawing out, of teaching her to think for herself, to know what she likes and why.

Withal she is nothing of a prig. She has in her all the original sin that girls have ever had and more. She loves pink sugar cakes and surreptitious chocolate when lights are out in the dormitory. Outwardly matter-of-fact, she is as feminine at heart as girls of the past; and if she knows more than they did—rather startlingly more, perhaps—she is the better able to take care of herself.

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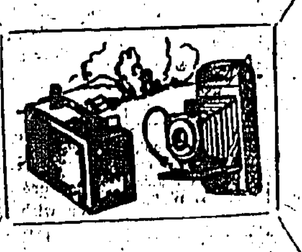

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ENTRY FORMS may be obtained at the office of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road, the Sports Club, and the Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables.

By Order,
W. L. ALEXANDER,
Secretary.
September 23, 1931.

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H. EFFERSOE,
Actg. Superintendent.
Hong Kong, September 23, 1931.

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Applications must be made in sealed envelopes addressed to the Secretary of the Club, c/o Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road, Hong Kong, and to reach the office not later than Noon on September 24, 1931. Applications will be opened on that date.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

W. L. ALEXANDER,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, September 17, 1931.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE EIGHTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 26th September, 1931, commencing at 2 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

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On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

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The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $2 including tax, for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

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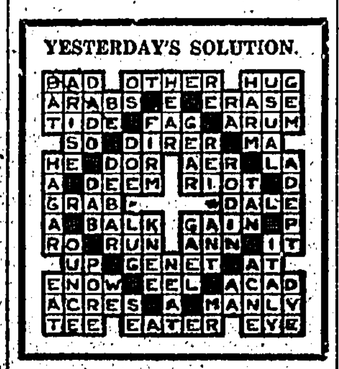
Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, &c., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffin will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 21st Sept., 1931.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the QUEEN'S THEATRE, Queen's Road Central, on WEDNESDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1931, at NOON, for the purposes following, namely:—

(a) To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the Year ended 31st March, 1931.
(b) To elect retiring Directors and Auditors.
(c) To sanction the Declaration of a Dividend.
(d) To transact any other Ordinary Business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th to the 30th day of SEPTEMBER, 1931, both days inclusive.

Dated the 22nd day of September, 1931.

By Order of the Board,
CHAS. S. ROSSELET,
Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tenth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the offices of the General Managers, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, October 9 at 10.45 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts, Declaring a Dividend, and re-electing Directors and Auditors. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from September 25 to October 9, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
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Hong Kong, September 19, 1931.

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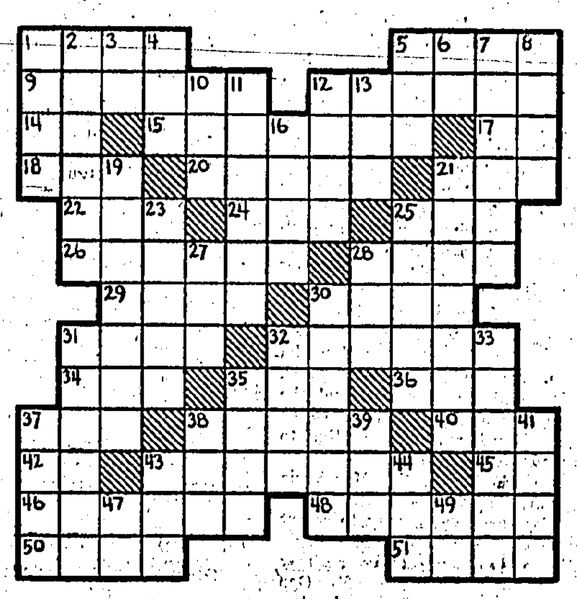
DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIONTAL
1–Sacred bull worshipped by ancient Egyptians
5–Gentle breeze
8–Glossiness of surface
12–N. Central State of U. S.
14–Conjunction
15–Most indigent
17–Civil Engineer (abbr.)
18–To hound
20–Dutch colonists in South Africa
21–By way of
22–Vats
24–Reckoning or tally
25–Marsh
26–Earlier
28–To weary
29–Cocoanut-husk fiber
30–A root used for food
31–A vexatious person
32–Plump
34–Sooner than
35–Boy's name (short)
36–To spell

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
37–Small fish
38–Wanderer
40–To carry with effort
42–A New England State (abbr.)
43–An American Confederate general
45–A river in N. Italy
46–To elude
48–An Alexandrian father of the Greek Church
50–A ruffian
51–To mislay

VERTICAL
1–A footless animal
2–Having pores
3–Prefix—a form of in
4–To imbibe in small quantities
5–An insect
6–Personal pronoun
7–A French tragic dramatist
8–At sea
10–To cry convulsively
11–One who hoots

VERTICAL (Cont.)
12–Same as curb
13–Beast of burden
16–To build
19–A grocer's shop
21–A sleep-inducing powder
23–A slip-knot
25–Place of public assembly in ancient Rome
27–An insect egg
28–Flying mammal
30–A vegetable
31–To pass away from life
32–Noisy frolic of play
33–Soft fleshy fruits enclosing stones or seeds
35–A large volume
37–To worry
38–Short sleep
39–A beetle
41–Departed
43–Hideous old woman
44–Nothing
47–Cubic (abbr.)
49–To proceed

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.
Opening Daily Official Quotations 23rd Sept., 1931.
Next Settlement Day, Monday, 28th Sept., 1931

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nom.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid	
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank .....$	...	...	...	2045	Dec.	Interim $5 at 2/-=$7.60	Aug. 10, 31
Chartered Bank .....£	...	...	...	11½	Dec.	Int. 7/- Sub. to I/Tax a/c 1931	Sep. — 31
Mercantile Bk., AsB. £	...	...	...	18½	Dec.	Int. 7% a/c 1931 less I/Tax	Sep. 8, 31
,, C. £	...	...	...	12½			
Bank of Asia .....$	...	...	...	184	Dec.	98 for 1930	Feb. 23, 31
Insurances.							
Canton Ins. .....$	...	...	...	1565	Dec.	(Fin. $25 less $10 for 1929 / Interim $15 a/c 1930) = $40	May 19, 31
Union Ins. .....$	...	...	...	555	Dec.	(Final 10/- for 1929 / Interim 24/- a/c 1930) = £2	May 29, 31
China Underwriters ...$	...	...	...	6.20	Dec.	None	...
China Fire Ins. .....$	...	...	...	800	Dec.	(Final $9 bonus $6 and $14 for 1929 / Interim $5 a/c 1930) = $33	May 29, 31
H. K. Fire Ins. ...r..$	...	...	...	1485	Dec.	($50 and bonus $10 making $60 for 1929	Mar. 26, 31
Shipping.							
Douglas .....$	...	...	...	24	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
H. K. Steamboats ...$	...	...	...	28½	Dec.	$1.50 for 1929 None for 1930	Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.) ...$	...	...	...	40	Dec.	(12½ etc., 22½ on preferred for 1924 and 1925	June 19, 29
,, (Def.) ...$	...	...	...	30		Last dividend for 1921	...
Shells Bearer .....s/-	...	...	...	82/6	Dec.	(Final 1/1 Coupon No. 58 from I/Tax a/c 1930	July 6, 31
Union Waterboats ...$	23	...	...	...	Dec.	$1 net for 1930	Mar. 31, 31
Mining.							
Benguet .....$	12	...	...	...	Dec.	Second Int. 25 centavos a/c 1931	June 30, 31
Kailan Mining Ad. s/-	...	...	...	27/6	June	(Fin. 4% free I/Tax Cpon 39 making 9% for year 30-6-31)	Dec. 30, 32
Langkat (Single) ...Tls.	...	...	...	4.95	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-10-29	May 8, 29
S'hai Exploration...Tls.	...	...	...	2	Dec.	None	...
,, Loans .....Tls.	...	...	...	4½	Dec.	(Final T. 0.35 making T. 0.50 for 1930	Feb. 6, 31
Raubs .....$	...	...	...	41½	Mar.	Interim 4/- a/c year 31-3-32	Sep. 2's, 31
Venezuela Gold Fields $	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & K. Wharves..$	...	...	...	164	Dec.	40 for 1930	Mar. 19, 31
H. K. & W. Docks..$	20	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
South Ch. Motori (A) $	...	...	...	10	...	...	...
,, (B) $	10.85	...	...	...	...	...	...
China Providents (old) $	...	...	(0.15)	0.60	Dec.	(10 cents on old 10½ cents on new) for 1930	April 8, 31
,, (new) $	...	...	...	5.10			
Hongkews .....Tls.	...	...	...	270	Dec.	Fin. T. 11 mak. T. 14 for 1930	May 4, 31
N. Engineerings ...Tls.	...	...	0.20	...	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930	Mar. 4, 32
Shanghai Docks ...Tls.	...	...	...	100	Apr.	T. 6 for year 2-4-31	July 20, 3
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
H.K. & S. Hls. (old) $	...	...	(16.90/17)				
,, (new) $	...	...	...	16.65	Dec.	80 cents for 1930	Apr. 16, 31
H.K. Lands .....$	68½	...	69/90	...	Dec.	Interim 42 a/c 1931	Aug. 12, 31
Shanghai Lands ...Tls.	...	...	...	48	Dec.	Interim T. 0.30 a/c 1931	July 30 31
Humphreys (old) ...$	...	...	...	21½	Dec.	80 cents for 1930	Feb. 24, 31
,, (new) ...$	...	...	...	21½			
H. K. Realties .....$	...	...	...	17½	Dec.	Interim 11 cents a/c 1931	Sept. 1, 31
Chinese Estates .....$	...	...	...	94	Feb.	96 for year 28-2-31	July 26, 31
Cotton Mills.							
Ewo Cotton .....Tls.	...	16	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1930	Mar. 19, 31
Shanghai Cotton...Tls.	...	...	...	107	(Apr. and Oct.	T. 3.25 for half year 30-6-31	May 27, 31
Zoong Sings .....Tls.	...	...	...	18½	June	T. 0.80 for year 30-6-30	Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.							
H. K. Tramways ...$	...	23½	...	...	Dec.	Interim 40 cents a/c 1931	Aug. 25, 31
Peak Trams (old) ...$	...	...	...	14½	Apr.	(30 cts. on old 40 cts. on new) for year 30-4-31	June 15, 31
,, (new) ...$	6.35	...	...	...			
Star Ferries .....$	95½	...	...	...	Dec.	$4 for 1930	Feb. 18, 31
Yaumati Ferries .....$	26½	...	...	...	Dec.	$1.50 for 1931	June 23, 31
China Light .....$	...	29½	...	...	Sept.	Final 50 cts. a/c yr. 30-9-30	Dec. 16, 30
H. K. Electric .....$	31½	...	(82/82½)		Dec.	$2.50 for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
Macao ,, ...$	...	...	...	28	Dec.	...	...
Sandakan Lights ...$	...	...	...	12	June	None	...
H.K. Tels. fully paid $	...	...	...	44			
,, part paid $	...	...	...	34	Dec.	Interim 4% a/c 1931	Aug. 4, 31
China Buses .....Tls.	...	...	...	17.00	Dec.	T. 0.90 for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
S'pore Tractions(Ord.)s/-	...	...	...	4/-			
,, (Pref.)s/-	...	...	...	10/-	Sept.	1/4½ on preference shares subject to income tax	Feb. 6, 31
Industrials.							
China Sugars .....$	20cts	...	...	...	...	In Liquidation	...
Malabon Sugars .....$	...	...	...	39	Dec.	P. 4.50 for 1930	Mar. 4, 31
Cald: Macg. Ord....Tls.	...	...	...	14			
,, Pref....Tls.	...	...	...	10½	Dec.	T. 1 P. 0.50 for 1930	Mar. 25, 31
Canton Ices .....$	...	...	...	7.00	July	20 cents for year 31-7-31	Pending
Cements (com.) .....$	...	...	20	...			
,, (old) .....$	...	...	...	19½	Dec.	(30 cents on old 64 cents on new) for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
,, (new) .....$	...	...	...	6			
H. K. Ropes .....$	...	...	21	...	Dec.	75 cents for 1930	Mar. 27, 31
Stores, &c.							
Dairy Farms .....$	...	...	...	89½	Dec.	$1.80 for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
Watsons .....$	...	...	...	17.45	Oct.	75 cents for year 31-1-30	Mar. 16, 31
Dex 'A' Wings .....$	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Lane Crawfords (old)...$	...	...	...	9.20	Feb.	Last dividend for year 28-2-26	...
,, (new)...$	...	...	...	8			
Mackintoshs .....$	...	...	...	19	Feb.	$2 for year 28-2-31	Apr. 30, 31
Sinceres .....$	...	...	...	20	...	...	...
Wm. Powells .....$	...	...	...	8.00	Feb.	20 cents for year 22-2-31	June 17, 31
Miscellaneous.							
H.K. Amusement (old)$	...	...	...	27			
,, (new "A")$	...	...	...	28.00	Mar.	$2.60 for year 31-3-31	Pending
,, ("B")$	...	...	...	28.00			
C. Entertainment (old)$	15	...	...	...			
,, (new)$	...	...	...	15	...	...	...
Sou. Ch. Enterprises::$	...	...	...	11	...	...	...
H.K. C'tructions(C.R.)$	...	...	...	14			
,, (Rights)$	...	...	...	2.62½	Dec.	20 cents for 1930	Apr. 29, 31
B. Ind. G.$ Bonds ...$	72%	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Loans...$	...	...	Prem.	51%	...	Interest half yearly	...

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On demand	555
Creditz, 4 months' sight	640
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom
On New York—	
On demand	22½
Credits, 60 days' sight	25½
On Bombay—	
Wire	71¾
On demand	71¾
On Calcutta—	
Wire	71¾
On demand	71¾
On Singapore—	
On demand	45⅞
On Manila—	
On demand	45
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 75
Dollar	2% dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	44½
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/2 5/16
Silver (per oz.)	15⅝
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† TOBA MARU ..... Tuesday, 29th September.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople), Genoa & Marseilles.
† LIMA MARU ..... Sunday, 11th October.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
† PENANG MARU ..... Tuesday, 29th September.
† HAKODATE MARU ..... Thursday, 8th October.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
IYO MARU ..... Tuesday, 29th September.
† MITO MARU ..... Tuesday, 29th September.
KASHIMA MARU ..... Saturday, 3rd October.

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BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila.	Brisbane Maru	Tues.,	6th Oct.
JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Himalaya Maru	Thurs.,	24th Sept.
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NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Hokuroku Maru	Tues.,	6th Oct.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo.	Hague Maru	Sat.,	3rd Oct.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Hamburg Maru	Fri.,	2nd. Oct.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow & Pakhoi (Fortnightly).	Menado Maru	Thurs.,	1st Oct.
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).	Canton Maru	Sun.,	27th Sept.
JAPAN PORTS via Keelung & Shanghai			
TAKAO via Swatow & Amoy (Fortnightly).	Deli Maru	Thurs.,	24th Sept.

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DEPARTURE HOURS: Hong Kong 5.30 p.m., Wuchow 3 p.m.

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TAI MING	WED. 23rd	FRI. 25th	SAT. 26th	SUN. 27th
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WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	Sept. 20	Sept. 21
West River at Shiuhing	15.0	11.1
North River at Samshui	7.8	7.5
North River at Tsingyuen	9.3	8.5
East River at Shekiung	3.7	—

The highest levels recorded are:—Shiuhing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shekiung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Shekiung.

PRESIDENT HOOVER'S APPETITE.

8,000 lb. of Butter.

Napoleon is given credit for the remark that "An army travels on its stomach." But then Bonaparte didn't have much of a navy. If he had he might have included it in the same category. Because a ship at sea is forced to carry its food with it. George M. Gordon, chief steward of the Dollar Line's new s.s. President Hoover, will vouch for this fact.

The new $8,000,000 flagship of the Dollar line is a floating city with a population of 1350, at the last census, when it docked here on Monday.

Fresh fruits, meats and stores to feed this group must be carried along at all times. A list of the amounts taken aboard at San Francisco reveal startling totals of various commodities stored in refrigerators and below-docks warehouses. Fresh butter is an important item. The President Hoover loads 8,000 pounds for the oriental run to Manila and return. Some of the other items include 200 cases of eggs, 20,000 pounds of flour, 1½ tons of coffee and a ton of sugar. Meat is kept frozen to maintain its freshness. Chickens alone are carried in a 22,000 pound quantity. The ship uses 45,000 pounds of beef, 10,000 pounds of lamb and 18,000 tons of fish.

Doing the shopping for a family like that requires thought. Forgetting a mere matter of 1½ tons of onions or 75 crates of lemons might spoil the entire trip.

At sea the chief steward can't telephone the corner store and order those things he's forgotten—he has to buy everything at once.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be *added* to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be *subtracted* from the depths.

September 23 to 29, 1931.

Date	High Water		Low Water	
Sept.	Standard Times	Ht.	Standard Times	Ht.
	H. M.	F.	H. M.	F.
Wed. 23	06 39	6·7	.. ..	..
	31 12	5·3	14 02	1·6
Thurs 24	07 35	6·9	01 05	1·1
	31 18	5·5	14 30	1·6
Fri. 25	08 30	7·0	01 57	0·7
	31 45	5·7	14 55	1·7
Sat. 26	08 56	7·0	01 31	0·3
	32 03	6·0	15 15	2·0
Sun. 27	01 31	6·8	02 01	0·0
	32 21	6·2	15 40	2·3
Mon. 28	10 03	7·4	03 44	1·6
	32 40	6·2	15 50	2·4
Tues 29	10 31	6·0	04 21	2·4
	32 55	6·3	16 20	2·6

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Monday, September 21.

Clara Jebsen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. K. Dahl, from Saigon, buoy No. B12.—Chang Tong Ha.

Kiungchow, British str., 1,545 tons, Capt. W. J. Larter from Haiphong and K. C. Wan, buoy No. A10.—B. & S.

Melville Dollar, American str., 4,319 tons, Capt. H. B. Clark, from Shanghai, buoy No. A11.—A.M.L.

Cracovia, Italian str., 4,566 tons, Capt. G. Camelli, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Dodwell & Co.

Tuesday, September 22.

Dorry, Chinese str., 1,083 tons, Capt. J. Bruhn, from Hoihow, buoy No. C4.—Chau Yue Teng.

Halvard, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. A. Hall, from Whampoa, buoy No. B17.—Wo Fat Sing.

Hangsang, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. J. Moodie, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Helikon, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. W. Anderson, from Saigon, buoy No. B11.—Wo Fat Sing.

Kingyuan, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. Taylor, from Swatow, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

Kwangtung, British str., 1,572 tons, Capt. J. H. Hodjkiss, from Canton, Stonecutters Anchorage.—B. & S.

Luchow, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. Grossett, from Canton, buoy No. B8.—B. & S.

Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. R. Nagayama, from Canton, buoy No. B18.—N.Y.K.

Suzanne, Norweign str., 1,444 tons, Capt. J. Meyer, from Canton, buoy No. B25.—Dodwell & Co.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. Empress of Asia, from Manila, September 23:
Mr. and Mrs. Meacock, Major S. W. Addison, Miss M. J. Adams, Mr. A. Laperal, Mr. P. Feliciano

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Cornflower—West wall (dock).
Magnolia—North wall.
Medway and Subs.—No. 2 buoy.
Moth—In dock.
Phoenix—East wall.
Seafnew—East wall.
Sepoy—North arm.
Seraph—North wall.
Serapis—No. 13 buoy.
Sterling—North arm.
Tamar—Basin.
Foreign Men-of-War.
Algol—French gunboat.
Pigeon and Subs. S-37, S-41—American gunboats.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. Moncalieri are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after September 27.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. Cracovia are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after September 28.

Tokushima Maru, Japanese str., 3,702 tons, Capt. T. Taniguchi, from Singapore, buoy No. A3.—N.Y.K.

Toyooka Maru, Japanese str., 14,388 tons, Capt. I. Tominaga, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

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OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23.

Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	4 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Takada	
	Parcels .....Sept. 23, 4 p.m.	
	Letters .....5 p.m.	
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ..	Solviken	5 p.m.

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Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 25
Empress of Russia	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	Nov. 9
Empress of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Nov. 14	Nov. 22
Empress of Asia	Nov. 20	Nov. 23	Nov. 26	Nov. 28	Dec. 7
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CHANGTE	Dec. 11	Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Jan. 6

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*MIRZAPORE	6,700	6th Oct.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
MANTUA	11,000	10th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
†KASHMIR	9,000	24th Oct.	M'seilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
*‡BURDWAN	6,500	31st Oct.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
NALDERA	16,000	7th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
†KASHGAR	9,000	21st Nov.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	5th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
CORFU	15,000	19th Dec.	Marseilles & London.
*‡SOMALI	6,800	26th Dec.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.

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		1931.	
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NELLORE	7,000	5th Oct.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
*KIDDERPORE	5,300	6th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
SANTHIA	8,000	9th Oct.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NALDERA	16,000	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
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WAR GAMES.

In none of the training establishments of the Royal Navy is instruction more intensely practical than in the torpedo school, writes Hector C. Bywater, Daily Telegraph Naval Correspondent.

It is exactly fifty-nine years since the first torpedoes for the British Navy were manufactured at Woolwich. In 1873 the frigate Vernon (of which "Jacky" Fisher was in command) became the training school for the new weapon.

Subsequently other ships were added to the establishment, which remained afloat until 1923, when the whole school was transferred to the modern buildings on the Gunwharf, which now constitute H.M.S. Vernon.

Here, as at the Whale Island gunnery school, experiments are made with and instruction given in many secret devices of modern warfare at sea. It was by special permission of the Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth, that I visited the Vernon to see something of the work in hand.

The commanding officer is Capt. S. D. Tillard, R.N. The Vernon's staff includes experts in every branch of torpedo, mining, anti-mining, and electrical technique. A naval man who completes a course in the Vernon is qualified to perform almost any task connected with electricity or explosives, from rigging up a door bell to blowing the bottom out of a super-Dreadnought.

In its infantile days the torpedo was launched by primitive means, such as sliding it into the sea off a mess table. But the giant "tin fish" of to-day weighing several tons and costing thousands of pounds, has to be dealt with much more scientifically.

While in Vernon I watched the discharge of a 21in torpedo exactly as it would occur in a submerged compartment of a modern battleship. The glittering "fish," over 20ft in length was inserted into the tube; a massive shield, or "spoon," was run out to prevent the torpedo from being deflected by the lateral rush of water until its whirling propellers had given it sufficient velocity to make it run true, and then the tube was fired by highly-compressed air.

Exploding a Mine.

The torpedo slid out almost silently, but instead of racing six miles or so at the speed of a fast train, it was brought up, some feet away from the muzzle, by a multiple rubber pad, backed by a massive concrete block. Thanks to this system, men can be trained ashore in all the movements of loading and firing torpedoes from submerged tubes in big ships.

On a wharf near by were double tubes from which torpedoes are actually discharged into water, just as they would be from a destroyer; but an ingenious mechanism arrests their progress before they have travelled far.

In another building I saw naval mines of every pattern, and one of them was "exploded" for my benefit. A horn was bent over as it would be by the impact of a ship's hull. This broke a glass container, releasing an acid which ignited the explosive charge, and, figuratively speaking, the mine "went up."

Fortunately for all concerned, the charge on this occasion was only a pinch of powder, instead of a couple of hundredweights of T.N.T., which is the usual filling.

The Navy is becoming more and more independent of shore labour, for reason both of expediency and economy and Vernon is doing much to foster this movement. In one of the workshops I watched a party of bluejackets repairing the electric leads in a section representing compartments of a warship.

Day and Night Practice.

Not one of these men had been previously trained as a mechanic, yet they were drilling and tapping steel bulkheads and decks in a most workmanlike fashion, and making every hole watertight after the wires had been rove through. Thanks to the new system of training, I was told, there is virtually no part of a ship's electrical equipment which cannot now be installed or repaired by her own company.

Torpedo practices at every range and under all conditions likely to occur in war, whether by day or night, can be carried out in H.M.S. Vernon—on a miniature scale, it is true, but without any other sacrifice of realism. These practical "war games" are part of the curriculum through which officers and men specialising in torpedo work are required to pass. Instruction in searchlight work and anti-mine paravanes of every type is also imparted.

YAWL'S WORLD TRIP.

Start from Thames.

Two adventurers, Geoffrey Owen and Dennis Puleston, left the Thames in the 33ft. engineless yawl in which they hope to sail round the world.

They were towed by a high-powered launch some distance from the start, in Leigh Creek, but near Southend Pier the sails were hoisted and the boat set off at a fast pace.

"I do not believe the spirit of adventure is dead," said Mr. Owen before leaving. "It is just as alive to-day as ever it was, but it takes the form of sport.

"I do not consider this venture is at all hazardous. It has been done before, and in smaller boats. I consider that it is far less dangerous than dashing round on a motor-cycle. I took up yachting as a quiet occupation after I had become sick of the motor-cycle craze which attracts most young men."

Houseboat-dwellers at Leigh waved handkerchiefs and shouted good wishes to the navigators.

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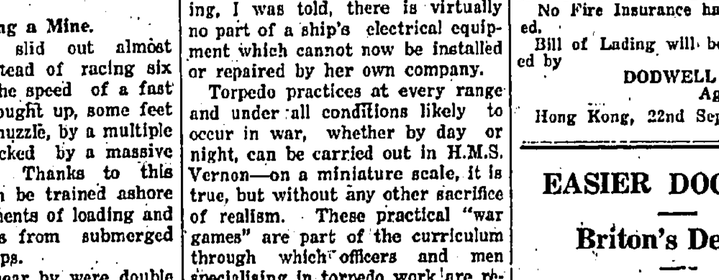

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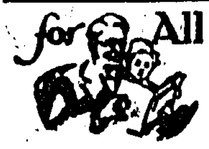

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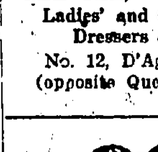

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HOW AN ORCHESTRA WAS SAVED.

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SERIES OF FINE CONCERTS.

A very remarkable series of orchestral concert has just come to an end at Montreal. Owing to the financial depression, the 'talkies,' and the disbanding of theatre and cinema orchestras, the majority of musicians at Montreal found themselves out of work. They banded themselves together in October last, and asked Mr. Douglas Clarke, Dean of the Faculty of Music in McGill University, to conduct them. They were prepared to attend as many rehearsals as were called, and to give a weekly concert. In return they were to receive a share of the profits. Since its inception, the orchestra has rehearsed five mornings a week—each rehearsal consisting of three hours. The first concert was given to an audience certainly not exceeding two hundred. The last of the season was given to an audience of over twelve hundred. With the exception of one Sunday which was taken off at Christmas, the people of Montreal have had the opportunity of hearing an orchestral concert every week for nearly six months. In all twenty-five concerts have been given.

The orchestra consists of seventy-five players, some of whom have played in the best orchestras. The men's share for the first concert and five rehearsals was $4.00, or 16s. 8d. It was obvious that to retain the men's interest some system of augmenting each man's share of the taking must be devised. The Montreal Orchestra Association was then brought into being. With the idea of making a popular appeal, membership in this Association was thrown open to the public on payment of $2.00 (8s. 4d.) subscription. So far only 1,281 two-dollar subscriptions have been received, but cheques for large amounts have been sent in by many people. An extraordinary interest and a desire to help the orchestra have been shown by the public in a variety of ways. Many cheques have been received by the conductor—often for quite large sums—to be used at his discretion. One lady supplied the money for a bass trombone. Many people and societies have presented scores and parts (a very desirable form of contribution to a new orchestra). Volunteers have come forward to copy out parts, and one lady instituted a movement known as 'Vanishing Parties,' which brought in several thousand dollars.

The value to the orchestra of the musical library of McGill University must not be overlooked, and it is from this source that the majority of programmes have been compiled.

The Canadian Pacific Railway engaged the Montreal Orchestra for a broadcast season of ten weeks. This series, which created tremendous enthusiasm and interest throughout Canada and the United States, has just come to a close. The orchestra was heard throughout Canada from coast to coast.—Musical Times.

FILM GOSSIP.

A Fine Cast.

Harry Edwards and Jack Buchanan have assembled a fine cast to play in their first production, "Pagan Lady." Up to now it includes Evelyn Brent, the star, Conrad Nagel, Charlie Bickford, Roland Young, William Farnum, Lucile Gleason and Leslie Fenton—as distinguished a list of movie players as you'll find in a picture this year.

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Another War Film.

We are not finished with war films yet. The best seller of the war on the Italian front, "Farewell to Arms," is to be filmed with Eleanor Boardman and Gary Cooper in the leading roles. And it looks as though Eleanor will be able to enjoy a holiday as Mrs. King Vidor, mother of two youngsters, while she waits for Gary to return from a short trip abroad. At present Miss Boardman is co-starring with Paul Lukas in "Women Love Once," but this is nearly finished.

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Irene Dunne Reaches Stardom.

The first picture for Radio Pictures to star Irene Dunne, who made her reputation with one picture—"Cimarron"—is to be called "Consolation Marriage."

This is a story of two young people, each believing they have lost the one big love of their life, who marry for "consolation."

A wide search has been made for a suitable cast to support the star. Pat O'Brien, the "Hildy" Johnson of "Front Page," has been cast opposite Miss Dunne. He will have another reporter role to portray. John Halliday and Stuart Erwin have also been cast.

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The Funniest Comedy.

Over at Mack Sennett's studio, carefully stowed away, is the funniest six-reel comedy in the world. It is known as Mack's Mistake Reel, and is made up of the leavings on the cutting-room floor ever since the old Keystone days. What a boon to posterity!

In this film you could see Gloria Swanson throwing pies at Polly Moran. Ben Turpin making eyes at Phyllis Haver, and Mabel Normand smiling at Ramon Novarro. Wouldn't we like to see this film?

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Juliette Compton's Chance.

Juliette Compton, will play her first film role as leading woman for a star in the George Bancroft picture, "Rich Man's Folly." Juliette heretofore has portrayed "other woman" roles, her Hollywood debut having been as Ruth Chatterton's love rival in "Anybody's Woman." "Unfaithful," "Kick In," "The Vice Squad," and "Women Love Once," have been other films in which she has been the third member of a triangle, and she had the secondary lead to Marlene Dietrich in "Morocco." Now comes her chance.

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It's Always the Way.

Mary Duncan was in Hollywood nearly all of last year looking for work with little or no luck. She even altered her appearance by having things done to her nose, but still the producers wouldn't give her a trial. Now that she's gone to Paris for a vacation the cables are hot trying to get her back for one of the best films of the year.

Caddo wants Mary to play the heavy lead opposite Billie Dove in "The Age for Love," and the arrangements are just about complete.

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An Ardent Philatelist.

Jean Hersholt, who is acting with Great Garbo in "Susan Lenox, Her Fall and Rise," is at work between scenes on a new book on obscure issues of stamps. An ardent collector, he is an author of several volumes on the subject.

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News of Josephine Dunn.

It is quite a while since news was received of Josephine Dunn. She has just been signed for the leading role in Lloyd Hamilton's forthcoming two-reel comedy, "Robinson Crusoe and Son." Josephine, you will remember, is one of the Paramount school graduates, and a Baby Wampas star of 1929. For several years she was under contract to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, then she was to be found as a free-lance. She has made but one outstanding talkie—when she played with Al Jolson in "The Singing Fool"—and her work was highly praised. Now she is back.—Picture Show, August 26.

GYMNASTIC BAND CONDUCTORS.

In Demand by Concert Audiences.

BUT NOT BY PERFORMERS.

Richard Straus, the famous composer and conductor, writing on the art of conducting some time ago began by admitting that in his young days he too had thrown himself about a bit (he called it "belonging to the conductors of the grand gesture"), but, like the other grand gesturers, he found in time that "conducting can be done quietly." He went on:

"The audience, however, desires the 'acting' manner of the conductor. Of the two thousand persons who usually fill a concert hall, at most two hundred merely wish to hear music; the others also want to see something, and for these the actor at the conductor's desk is just the personality desired. Gradually musical education will progress, and gestures in conducting will be looked upon as a matter of secondary importance.

"The musicians in the orchestra dislike the conductor who attempts to conjure them by mystic gestures. They wish to develop freely, and only require such signs as give the big outlines of the work in question and tone down the playing to a unity. If at the last Philharmonic recital I did not give a sign for a *fortissimo* of the orchestra before the Allegro movement, it ought to be known that that was a matter settled in advance with the orchestra. Hans von Bulow arranged a somewhat greater effect. During the introduction he had the hall darkened, and at the given moment the electric light flared up. Nowadays, however, the orchestra does not want the gesture of an Imperator; it knows by itself what it wants, and seeks connection only with the conductor's personality."

To which a critic added: I had hoped that there were more than ten per cent. of us who attend a concert in order to hear the music. As we are so hopelessly outnumbered, it is useless for us to agitate yet awhile for the screen I advocated; and it will be a long time before the ideal arrives—the invisible conductor directing operations via the conducting machine invented a few years ago by Mr. Sabaneev.

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„ Breast	牛腩	„	30	20	18
„ Soup	湯肉	„	27	20	18	
„ Steak	牛排	„	33	24	22
„ Steak Sirloin	牛柳腰	„	46	30	35
„ Sausages	牛腸	„	35	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	17	10	12
„ Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	75	50	60
„ Tongue, corned	鹹牛脷	„	—	60	—
„ Head	牛頭	„	$1.20	—$1.20	
„ Heart	牛心	lb.	24	18	14
„ Hump, Salt	牛肩	„	—	20	18
„ Feet	牛腳	each	12	10	12
„ Kidneys	牛腰	„	15	10	12
„ Tail	牛尾	„	27	20	22
„ Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	13	14
„ Tripe	牛肚	„	8	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.50	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊扒骨	lb.	44	26	—
„ Leg	羊脾	„	44	26	—
„ Shoulder	羊手	„	40	24	—
„ Saddle	羊鞍肉	„	44	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	豬腸	„	30	27	—
„ Brains	豬腦	Per set	8	—	—
„ Feet	豬腳	lb.	18	15	—
„ Fry	豬什	„	30	15	18
„ Head	豬頭	„	20	20	—
„ Heart	豬心	each	18	10	10
„ Kidneys	豬腰	„	15	10	8
„ Liver	豬肝	lb.	48	30	24
Pork Chop	豬排骨	„	40	25	23
„ Leg	豬脾	„	42	—	—
„ Loin	豬腰脢	„	45	60	70
„ Fat or Lard	豬油	„	26	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	90	60	70
„ Heart	羊心	each	12	8	7
„ Kidneys	羊腰	„	15	12	10
„ Liver	羊肝	„	45	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳豬	lb.	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	牛羊油	„	30	20	18
„ Mutton	羊油	„	36	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	„	22	20	20
„ Sausages	牛仔腸	„	28	—	—
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Codfish	鱈魚	„	48	12	9
Crabs	蟹	„	58	16	17
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	„	32	23	26
Dab		„	26	16	27
Dace	黃雞尾	„	62	23	16
Dog Fish	海狗魚肚	„	22	10	—
Eels, Conger	海鰻	„	62	10	8
„ Fresh Water	淡水鰻	„	62	16	—
„ Yellow	黃田石鱔	„	56	10	8
Frogs	白鱔	„	84	26	30
Garoupa	青斑	„	1.00	32	25
Gudgeon	鰕虎魚	„	28	40	30
Herrings	白鯧	„	38	22	18
Halibut	龍利	„	46	13	23
Labrus	黃立魚	„	48	18	15
Loach	泥鰍	„	85	22	13
Lobsters	龍蝦	„	74	62	24
Mackerel	公魚	„	60	32	21
Monk Fish	鮟鱇魚	„	64	20	20
Mullet	烏頭魚	„	44	13	2
Oysters	蠔豉	„	44	12	2
Parrot Fish	鸚哥魚	„	36	14	9
Perch	白鱸	„	34	30	15
Pike	黑鯉	„	52	16	9
Plaice	石斑魚	„	52	36	20
Pomfret, White	白鯧	„	64	36	30
Pomfret, Black	黑鯧	„	48	36	45
Prawns	蝦	„	52	10	14
Ray	魟公魚	„	30	10	14
Rock Fish	石斑	„	34	18	18
Roach	鯽魚	„	44	22	10
Salmon	三文魚	„	64	36	30
Shark	沙魚	„	22	8	10
Skate	魟魚	„	22	10	10
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Soles	龍尤左口魚	„	50	22	28
Tench	鯪魚	„	46	26	35
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Duck	鴨	„	45	22	21
Doves	斑鳩	each	50	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	33	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	„	36	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	76	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	„	60	35	24
Geese	鵝	„	54	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	45	30	—
„ Hoihow	海口鴿	„	38	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞公	lb.	75	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞雌	„	60	61	45
Snipe	沙鷚	each	30	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	—	—	—
Quail	鵪鶉	each	—	—	—
Partridges	鷓鴣	„	—	—	—

Fruits.					
Almonds	杏仁	lb.	60	35	—
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	„	48	26	—
Bananas (bride's)	蕉山香蕉	„	8	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	„	18	12	—
Coconuts	椰子	each	14	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12	25	30
Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	16	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	„	—	—	—
Oranges	橙	„	—	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	„	28	—	—
Peanuts	花生	„	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	„	16	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	„	5	8	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	20	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	48	—	16
Grapes	葡提子	„	70	—	—

Vegetables, &c.					
Artichokes	雞之竹	each	14	—	2
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	7	—	7
„ Long	豆角	„	14	—	8
Beet Root	紅頭	„	14	—	—
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	„	8	24	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	„	8	5	3
„ Red	紅瓜	„	8	5	3
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	„	12	—	—
„ (Shanghai)	鄉菜	„	—	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	甘蔗	„	8	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	—	—	—
„ (Medium)	中椰菜花	„	—	—	—
„ (Small)	細椰菜花	„	—	6	6
Carrots	金笋	lb.	20	5	6
Celery, Chinese	塘臭菜	„	14	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	„	18	25	5
„ Red	紅辣椒	„	14	10	10
„ Green	青花椒	„	6	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	菜厘材料	„	16	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	„	8	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	„	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	子薑	„	10	7	—
„ Old	老薑	„	8	20	—
Horseradish, Shanghai		„	36	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	„	—	45	—
Lettuce	嫩生菜	„	20	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	„	10	—	8
„ Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	„	12	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	„	45	—	8
Okroes		„	—	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋葱頭	„	10	8	8
„ Green	生葱	„	6	4	6
„ Shanghai	上海葱頭	„	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	„	50	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	„	5	3	—
„ Japanese	日本薯仔	„	4	3	—
„ American	金山薯仔	„	8	3	—
Pumpkin	多瓜	„	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	„	—	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大黃菜	„	—	—	10
Shallots	干葱頭	„	6	—	8
Spinach	莧菜	„	8	8	—
Tomatoes	番茄	„	25	4	—
Taros	芋頭	„	6	7	—
Turnips, Punti (Long)	蘿蔔	„	12	6	—
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CHINA ASSOCIATION MEETING.

Problem of Silver Discussed.

WORLD CONFERENCE.

London, Yesterday.

Sir Robert Horne, addressng a meeting of the China Association held to recommend an investigation of the silver problem, at which Mr. L. C. Amery was among many prominent people present, said the times were propitious for a conference on silver.

He believed President Hoover would be willing to call such a conference if he received evidence that his invitation would be welcomed.

The meeting eventually passed a resolution in favour of monetization of silver and an international conference.

Raise Price of Silver.

Sir Robert Horne argued that if the silver level were enhanced, it would immediately depreciate the value of gold, effecting what the Macmillan report recommended, namely, an increase in the price level.

Help Solve Problem.

Mr. Amery declared that anything that could at present be done to raise the price of silver, and spread the strain upon the reduced gold reserves of the world, would do more, and do it more rapidly, than anything else towards solving the world's monetary difficulties.

"Silver Association."

The meeting decided to form itself into a "silver association," under the chairmanship of Lord Hunsdon, and passed a resolution expressing the conviction that the restoration of silver to a place in the world's monetary system offers the quickest and most effective remedy for the present disastrous fall in prices, and calling on the Governments concerned to confer at the earliest possible moment.—Reuter.

PICKPOCKETING A POLICEMAN.

Tale of a Constable's Purse.

(Kowloon Police Court).

A Chinese was charged this morning with stealing a wallet from an Indian constable, who was walking in plain clothes in Kansu Street, near the Yaumati Police Station.

Another Chinese was charged with theft by finding in connection with the same affair.

Inspector Clarke said that after snatching the purse, which contained $26, first accused bolted, but while being chased, he dropped it.

When the constable returned with his captive, he found that someone had picked up the purse and bolted. Second accused was later found sharing the money among several other Chinese near the Yaumati Ferry Wharf and was arrested by a Chinese Revenue Officer.

His Worship decided that the evidence was not strong enough to convict the second man. First accused, who had eight previous convictions, was sent to jail for three months with hard labour.

AN EXPLANATION.

How Revision of Cuts Will Be Met.

BY ADDITIONAL SAVINGS.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In connection with the Prime Minister's announcement in Parliament yesterday of Government's decision to limit to not more than ten per cent. economy cuts in the pay of teachers, Police and the lower ranks of the three Defence Services, and his statement that the balance of the Budget would not be affected, it is understood that the cost of these concessions to classes of persons who, in the opinion of Government, would have suffered exceptional hardship under the original Budget, will be financed out of additional savings and, if necessary, Budget surplus. Before sanctioning the concessions Government satisfied itself that the Budget position would not be jeopardised. —British Wireless Service.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

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Government to their Geneva representative should be hastened.

The discussion here concluded, and the President of the Council announced that the next meeting to deal with the matter would be convened at the earliest possible moment.

Conference in U.S.

Washington, Yesterday.

Chinese and Japanese representatives conferred with officials of the State Department to-day in regard to the situation in Manchuria, but no statement was issued.—Reuter's American Service.

Strength of Japanese Army in Manchuria.

Mukden, Yesterday.

Major Usuda, Intelligence Officer attached to the Kwantung Army, states that the strength of the Japanese army in Manchuria is now 10,000, including the Kwantung Division and five battalions of the Chosen Division.

Japanese Troops for Taonan.

It is said that troops will probably be sent to Taonan in order to protect Japanese residents there.

Anti-Japanese Outbreak in Harbin?

Rumours are current here to-day of serious attacks in Harbin by Chinese on Japanese.

Conference in Moscow.

Moscow, Yesterday.

The fighting in Manchuria was the subject of a long conference between the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Hioto, and the Soviet People's Foreign Commissary, M. Litvinov, who invited Mr. Hiroto to see him.—Reuter.

Marks like fern leaves were discovered on the chest of a Cumberland farm worker who was killed by lightning.

According to Mr. J. Roston, principal of the Linguaphone Institute, Denmark is the place where the best English is spoken, outside Britain itself. In Copenhagen he found that a large number of people could speak English, German, and French.

MORE BUYERS OF SHARES.

Prices Remain About the Same.

TO-DAY'S BUSINESS.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:

This morning the market is unchanged from yesterday, but there are a few more buyers in evidence for some stocks.

Waterboats were in demand at $28.

Benguets were wanted at $12.

Docks were in demand at $29.

S. C. Motors "B" shares were wanted at $10.85.

Providents (old) were dealt in at $6.15 and $6.20.

New Engineerings were the medium of sales to the North at $6.20.

Lands changed hands at $89, but at the close they were in demand at $88½.

Ewos were reported sales at $16.

Trams could have been obtained at $23½.

Star Ferries were in demand at $95½.

China Lights could have been had at $29½.

Electrics, which were done at $82, closed in demand at $81½.

Cements were dealt in at $20, as were Ropes at $21.

Lane, Crawford's (cum rights) were the medium of sales at $8.10.

ABSCONDING ACCOUNTANT.

Alleged Embezzlement of $13,000.

According to a C.I.D. circular dated September 11, a warrant has been issued for the arrest of Li Tung Hoi, alias Li Man Hoi, alias Li Hoi, lately employed as accountant at the China Motor Bus Company, for fraudulent misappropriation of the sum of $13,000, the property of the company.

Li is stated to be about 26 years of age, and described as of medium height and build, round face, hair brushed back. He is believed to be a native of Tai Lik Po Village, Nam Hoi District.

A reward of $1,000 will be paid by the Inspector-General of Police to any person giving information leading to the arrest and conviction of the wanted man. The reward is valid for six months.

A DOUBTFUL REPORT.

Lui Hoi, shop keeper, at 64 Johnston Road, reported to the Police yesterday that a suit case containing $2,347 in money and clothing valued at $10 had been stolen from his flat. The Police attach great doubt to this report.

It is further stated that the complainant arrived from Dutch Borneo about three months ago and had then in his possession 1,900 Dutch guilders, which belonged to him and another partner, who is stated to be in business in Borneo.

Since making the report, Lui is alleged to have disappeared, and enquiries made by the Police, illicited information from inmates, that he has probably gone to Canton.

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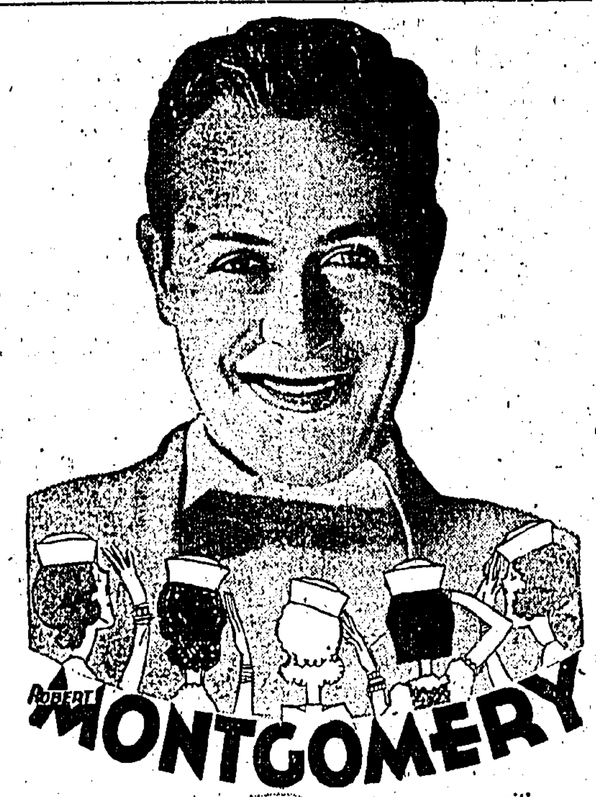

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